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BRITAIN CONTINUES TO STRIVE TOWARDS AIR ARMAMENT PACT

AIR ESTIMATES WELL ABOVE TOTAL REQUIRED FOR ARMY

London, Mar. 15.

"We have not abandoned hope of securing an air pact and the general stabilisation of air armaments," declared Sir Philip Sassoon, Under-Secretary for Air, introducing the Air Estimates in the House of Commons to-day. They are the largest in British history and, significantly, bigger by several hundred thousand pounds than the Army Estimates.

"We regard the realisation of the pact as of paramount importance. We are eager to seize the first opportunity to achieve it. Until such an opportunity offers we have no choice but to proceed with our plans. We believe that a British Air Force, strong, ready and well-equipped is one of the best contributions the country can make to world peace."

With regard to the adequacy of the Government's programme, they had many sources of information, which could not be divulged, upon which their building plans were based, said the Under-Secretary.

He assured the House that the supply of officers and men was entirely satisfactory. During the coming year it was proposed to train 1,175 new pilots. The Royal Air Force, he said, was getting the right kind of recruit.

Striking Power

Except for the larger aircraft of the Fleet Air Arm, the monoplane had almost entirely replaced the biplane, and the net result was that the striking power of the new types far surpassed that of corresponding types of two years ago.

Active research and development, said Sir Philip, were continually surviving to obtain a machine of even greater speed, range and load capacity.

Two new guns had been introduced, which would be manufactured in Great Britain.

Sir Philip disclosed that large-scale production had more than halved the time required for the manufacture of a new machine.

Compared to 53 home squadrons in 1936, they would now have 124 squadrons within a few months time.

Amendment Rejected

The House rejected, by 175 to 119, the Labour Opposition's motion for the abolition of aerial warfare and the international control of civil aviation.

Sir Philip, replying to critics, said the Government would seize any opportunity to achieve the abolition of aerial warfare, but he stressed the difficulty of devising a practical scheme for the control of civil aviation.—*Reuter.*

The Air Estimates total £82,500,000, or £326,000 more than the Army Estimates.

Silverlarch Safe In Port

FIRE APPEARS TO BE QUENCHED

Honolulu, Mar. 15.

The British freighter, Silverlarch, which has been in serious difficulties with fire in her hold since Saturday, has now arrived here, escorted by a Coast Guard cutter.

No smoke is visible, but the fire-fighting apparatus is being held in readiness, while preparations are being made to open her hatches.

For more than 50 hours her crew has been fighting to check the blaze and their efforts now appear to have been successful. The ship's position was the more precarious because she carried large quantities of oil and wax.—*Reuter.*

POPE TO ATTEND MASS

Vatican City, Mar. 15.

His Holiness the Pope will attend Pontifical High Mass at St. Peter's Church in Easter Sunday. He will be carried thither and, if the weather and his health permits, he will bless the crowd from the balcony.—*Reuter Bulletin Service.*

BECOMING GREAT AIR MAIL POST

H.K. IN POSITION OF IMPORTANCE

Following negotiations between the Australian, United States and Hongkong Governments, Hongkong is to become one of the biggest air post offices in the world.

Pending inauguration of a direct service between the United States and Australia, expected next September, air mail between the two countries will be routed via Hongkong.

Rates will vary from 20 to 75 cents (U.S. currency) per half ounce.

In the case of letters destined for Australia, utilisation of air mail via Hongkong will mean a saving of 21 days over existing steamship routes.

Air mail will be accepted throughout the United States for despatch, via Hongkong, to New Zealand, Australia, New Guinea, Dutch East Indies, Malaya, India, China and Japan.

Nearly all of this mail will be resorted in Hongkong and despatched by quickest route to its destinations. In the case of mail for Australia, India, New Zealand and the Dutch East Indies, Imperial Airways will be used. C.N.A.C. planes will convey all mail for northern ports.

The first Pan-American Airways Clipper plane for Hongkong is expected to leave Alameda Airport on April 21, arriving here a week later.

For the initial stages, Macao will be made a subsidiary airport of call, the Clippers calling there as well as at Hongkong. Hongkong will be the terminal base, however, and the giant machines will be housed overnight in the Kai Tak hangar. Special provision has been made for hauling them from the harbour to the hangar, where thorough overhauls will be made by Pan-American ground engineers each week.

TOBACCO IMPORTS

London, Mar. 15.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer, answering a Parliamentary question, said the approximate net amount of revenue derived from imported tobacco during 1936 was £77,770,000.—*British Wireless.*

SWEDISH PREMIER'S VISIT

London, Mar. 15.

Dr. Sandler, Premier of Sweden, is flying to England from Stockholm to-day. Whilst in London he will discuss general topics of interest to both countries with the Foreign Office.—*Reuter Bulletin Service.*

WELSHMAN EMPIRE'S CHAMPION

FARR GIVEN CALL OVER FOORD

10,000 WATCH BATTLE

Harringay Stadium, Mar. 15.

A crowd of 10,000 persons watched Tommy Farr, the Welsh champion, win the British Empire heavyweight championship to-night. Farr outpointed Ben Foord, the big South African, and previous holder.

Farr was diffident at the beginning, but in the third round came to life and assumed an aggressive pose. With a two-fist barrage he beat Foord's face and drew blood from the South African's nose, landing a long left repeatedly through the fifth round.

Ford swung rights of terrific force. If they had landed Farr would probably have been knocked out by one of them. But the Welshman was clever in defence and kept out of danger.

With the sixth round Foord improved, his punching being snappier. He landed two hard rights to the jaw in the eighth. Farr retaliated with stiff jolts to the body.

In the last four rounds Foord was most aggressive, and landed lefts and rights to the head and body, but Farr was better at in-fighting and the referee unhesitatingly declared him the winner.—*Reuter.*

Trinidad Of High Value To Empire

RICH SUPPLIES OF OIL

Port of Spain, Mar. 15.

Sir John Cadman, on the eve of his departure from Trinidad, after a fortnight's investigation of the Colony's oil resources, declared that the main supply had not yet been even tapped.

Sir John expressed the opinion that the present supply, which makes Trinidad the largest producer of petroleum in the Empire, was furnished merely by seepage from prolific oil-bearing rocks below the surface.

He emphasised that Trinidad should be a naval and air base for the Empire, pointing out that with its landlocked harbour, it occupied a strategic position in respect of oil supplies.—*Reuter.*

REBELS HALT DRIVE

Big Guns and Planes Busy

Madrid, Mar. 15.

Despite the return to warm and sunny weather, relative quiet prevailed to-day on all fronts around Madrid. Both sides are engaged in strengthening their new positions and resting after their strenuous and costly series of attacks and counter-attacks which have been continuing for a full week.

Government artillery was frequently active on the Guadalajara and Jarama fronts to-day, the object being to prevent rebel concentration.

It is reported that Government planes bombed and machine-gunned insurgent postions near Guadalajara and that insurgent machines raided the Government lines in the Aranjuez sector.

Activity on the Oviedo front is also confined to artillery fire.—*Reuter.*

Adventurous Trio Coming To Hongkong

ON STRANGE HUNT AROUND WORLD

Three young men—two of them nephews of the owner of the yacht Shenandoah II—are arriving in Hongkong next week on another leg of an adventurous voyage that has lasted since January 1, 1935.

They are Sheridan Fahnestock, Bruce Fahnestock and Dennis Puleston. The two Fahnestock youths are nephews of multi-millionaire G. Fahnestock, whose famous yacht is now in the hands of Hongkong shipwreckers.

For over two years they have been aboard the 27-ton schooner Director, cruising through the Pacific in search of flora and fauna for the American Museum of National History.

They left New York on January 1, 1935 and, passing through the Panama Canal, travelled in a general westerly direction, touching at the majority of islands dotting the Pacific. They reported that collecting specimens was comparatively easy, despite their lack of extensive knowledge on the subject.

The trip, which brought the three adventurers to Manila this week, has been crowded with numerous interesting occurrences. The wanderers discovered evidence of an ancient civilisation in Vanau Leva Island, of the Fiji group. At Cook Island they dived for pearls, finding several small ones of good quality.

There are two other members of the crew—Tiger, a West Indian turtle hound who has been travelling with her master for the past six years, and Polly, a parrot.

The young men expect to leave Manila this week, and hope to arrive in Hongkong about next Wednesday. From here they will go to French Indo-China and Singapore, and thence through the Suez Canal to the Atlantic and home.

The Director is a two-masted vessel, 59 feet long, and has an 18 h.p. auxiliary engine.

TYPHOON WARNING

The Manila Observatory reports that there is a typhoon in about 128 Long., 11 Lat., moving north.

Local Ticket Wins Horse In Grand National

FORTUNE MAY AWAIT LUCKY SPECULATOR

Dublin, Mar. 15.

The draw for the Irish Hospitals Sweepstake on the Grand National Steeplechase took place here to-day, and amongst those who drew horses were the following:

Ticket D.J. 39384, "Gripps," 3 Minden Avenue, Mody Road, Kowloon, Hongkong, drew Sugar Loaf, a runner.

Ticket D.T. 27109, "Klvie," Kowloon Docks, Hongkong, drew Sea Rover. The value of the ticket is £614.

Ticket X.N. 74927, "Ras," P.O. Box No. 1615, Kowloon, Hongkong, drew Battleship, a non-runner, the value of the ticket being £614.

Lord Powerscourt opened the draw, and revealed two important side-issues of the sweepstake — (1) medical research; and (2) the provision of books for hospital patients. A sum of £10,000 yearly is, he said, being spent on research, and scholarships worth £4,000 annually are open for competition in any part of the world.

Research is the basis of all medical knowledge, said Lord Powerscourt, and perhaps it would lead to the discovery of a cure for the world scourge of cancer. How happy they would all be if the cure were found in Dublin. Meanwhile the patient work of making the Irish hospitals better would go on in most capable hands.

STRIKING FIGURES

The total receipts of this sweepstake, the twentieth of the series, are £2,786,452, of which £1,662,235 is the prize fund. The tickets on the winning horse will be worth £30,000, the second £15,000, and the third £10,000. The other fifty-seven tickets will each be worth £614. Residual prizes, which will be drawn to-morrow, are worth £6,223.

The expenses of the sweepstake are less than 15 per cent. The hospitals have now received over £10,000,000, and prize-winners have had over £35,000,000. Altogether over £46,000,000 has been distributed.—*International Press Bureau.*

STOP PRESS

The *Telegraph* learns that the holder of Ticket No. DJ 39384 in the Irish Sweep is Miss Enid Dunnett, Secretary of the Hongkong Broadcasting Committee.

Sugar Loaf, the horse drawn by Miss Dunnett, is not considered a favourite. Miss Dunnett, however, will win £614 ($9,800) even if the horse does not win a place.

"I am sharing the ticket with several other people," Miss Dunnett said.

PAN-AMERICAN CLIPPER TO FLY TO AUCKLAND

Pan-American Airways officials in New York have announced that a 32-passenger Clipper flying-boat will leave Alameda this week on a flight to New Zealand.

The Clipper will follow the trial blazed by the late Sir Charles Kingsford-Smith who, with three companions, is the only man who has flown the southern Pacific.

The flight will be the climax of three years of detailed preparation, and is intended as a preliminary experimental flight preparatory to commencing a regular service between California and New Zealand.

The trans-Tasman link between Auckland (New Zealand) and Sydney (New South Wales) will be provided by Imperial Airways and the Australian Government.

Six Pan-American Airway officials will fly the giant craft. The plane selected for the flight is a new Sikorsky 42B type. It has a wing spread of 118 feet and carries 1,783 gallons of fuel. Four radial engines provide a total of 3,000 horse-power. The normal cruising speed of the ship is 165 miles per hour.

The New Zealand Government has granted Pan-American Airways an extension to December 31, 1937, for the commencement of a regular service. The Company anticipates that weekly planes will arrive at and leave Auckland and Alameda before September.

The route will be from Alameda to Honolulu, to Pago Pago, to Suva (Fiji) and to Auckland. It will take 92 hours' actual flying time.

CIRCLING GLOBE BY AIRWAY

FIRST VOYAGE OF ITS KIND

MANILA MAN'S ENTERPRISE

Pan-American Airways office in Manila can claim the distinction of selling, and Mr. S. D. Winship, a Philippines business-man, the distinction of buying, the first ticket ever issued entitling the holder to travel entirely around the world by air.

Manila will be the starting place of this unique flight—the first complete aerial circumnavigation of the world by regularly established routes.

The total fare is 4,616 pesos (H.K. $6,924), which includes the fare between Manila and Hongkong. Pan American Airways has not yet released for publication its rate between Manila and Hongkong, but it is understood to be approximately H.K.$300.

Seven of the major airlines of the world will help to carry the Manila business man, who is president of the Eastern Isles Import Corporation, around the world. He expects to leave Manila on Thursday this week on board a trans-Pacific Clipper, and be back in seven months of leisurely flying.

This is not the first aerial circumnavigation of the world, but it is the first to be attemped by a paying passenger on reguarly established airlines. Other trips, notably the one in which three journalists participated, have been in the nature of stunts, in which specially chartered planes or steamers were used.

Winship expects to arrive at Alameda on March 25, and from there will travel by United Airlines for New York. From Lakehurst, New Jersey, he will take the zeppelin Hindenburg about August 6 for Frankfort, Germany, a trip of about 60 hours non-stop. From Frankfort he will proceed to Amsterdam on a plane of the Deutsche Lufthansa, and later board a K.L.M. airliner for Rangoon.

From Rangoon he will travel to Hongkong by Imperial Airways. By the time he reaches Hongkong, Pan-American Airways' connecting link between this Colony and Manila will be provided, and he will complete the last leg of his around-the-world flight by Clipper ship.

TIN PRICES QUERIED

CONTROL COMMITTEE MEETING SOON

London, Mar. 15.

Replying to a question in the House of Commons with regard to the increasing price of tin, Captain Euan Wallace, Secretary for Overseas Trade, in a written answer, said the International Tin Committee has the position under constant review.

Captain Wallace added that he understood that the Committee was holding a further meeting on March 18.—*Reuter.*

FEAR 450 PEARLERS PERISHED

WHOLE FLEET VANISHES

Port Darwin, Mar. 16.

One of the worst "willy-willies" (cyclones) in the history of North Australia, it is feared, has claimed the lives of the entire crews—totalling 450—of the Darwin pearl fishing fleet.

Practically the whole fleet is owned by Captain Gregory, Australia's pearl king, who was once a mercantile marine officer on the China Coast.

The storm struck on March 10.

Included in the missing men are 270 Japanese and 180 Australians. It is feared that the fleet has been entirely destroyed, making this the most disastrous cyclone on the northern coast of Australia since 700 lives were lost in 1911.

Captain Gregory only recently removed his fleet from Thursday Island and Broome to the richer fishing grounds off Port Darwin.—*Reuter.*

Captain Gregory was once employed as master mariner with Messrs. Butterfield and Swire. He later became captain with the Blue Funnel Line, resigning to commence pearl fishing in Broome. He amassed a considerable fortune with his fleet, which grew to over 100 luggers. He lost over 20 luggers in the 1912 cyclone.

Captain Gregory passed through Hongkong last December, en route to London, where he intends to attend the Coronation.

ALERT TO CHINA'S DANGER

BRITAIN WATCHES SMUGGLING WANE

REPORTS ON NARCOTICS

London, Mar. 16.

According to the latest figures there had been a successive diminution in the value and volume of smuggling in North China, declared Lord Cranbourne, Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, answering a question by Mr. A. C. Morcing in the House Commons to-day.

Mr. Moreing drew attention to the report that during three months over 1,500 lorries had passed Chinese Customs barriers under Japanese protection. Lord Cranbourne replied that the Government was fully aware that there had been smuggling, but repeated that there had been a sensible diminution.

In answer to further questions, Lord Cranbourne declared the British Consular authorities and others periodically furnished information with regard to the smuggling of drugs into China by Japanese nationals, which was passed on to the British Government's representative on the League Opium Advisory Committee for such action as might seem useful and desirable. The question of publicity was determined by the League.

It was understood, he said, that in practice the proceedings and reports of the Committee were published.

Another member asserted there were many circumstantial reports that the Japanese authorities were actively encouraging this traffic in drugs among the Chinese people. Lord Cranbourne gave the House his assurance that the British Government was keeping the whole subject under constant examination.—*Reuter.*

Nazi Victory In Danzig

GOAL OF COMPLETE CONTROL NEARER

Danzig, Mar. 15.

Danzig Nazis have taken a big step towards their goal of complete control of the Free City. Three Opposition members of the Diet having resigned, their successors have announced their conversion to Nazi-ism.

The adhesion of these members will bring the Nazi membership of the Diet to 40 out of 72—only two short of the two-thirds majority required to alter the Constitution.—*Reuter Bulletin Service.*

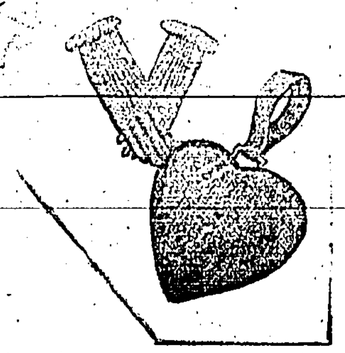
☆ Spring Fashion Parade

FROM LONDON AND PARIS

Leather bag, diamond shaped flap. Gloves in brown leather, stitched white. Black suede Dorothy bag with gilt band

Swagger coat in brown and white check worn over a brown tweed suit. Right, a stone coloured frock is trimmed to match the distinctive red, black and stone check tweed coat. (Peter Russell)

Heart-shaped bag in suede. Brown gloves to match have the new rolled cuff and white stitching.



SKIRTS
Short & Tight

COATS
New Box Swagger

FABRICS
Country Plaids
Town Flowers

BUTTONS
Neck to Hem

GLOVES
Rolled Cuffs

BAGS
Valentine Shapes

A FAIRLY accurate gauge of what is going to be worn in the coming months can be made from fashion parades now being held in London and Paris.

The length of the everyday walking skirts has settled down to about 13 inches from the ground. They are cut to an almost sheath-like tightness, and many are buttoned down the front or side.

Coat frocks are also tunic-like in their simplicity, with pockets, belts and buttons, high-throated and square shouldered. There's an unmistakable look of the "regiment" about them. Coats with wide, pointed revers, and collar bands are back in favour.

Afternoon and soft dresses refute this boyish tendency. Waistlines are higher in front to give emphasis to feminine curves above. Skirts are close fitting over the hips, flaring into almost circular fullness at the hem.

A tightly knotted sash gives still more curve to this very womanly silhouette.

Patterned fabrics are the order of the day. Country and wool clothes are striped and streaked, whilst the silks, crepes and cottons are flower scattered or all over spotted.

Roses, lilies, ivy leaves, entwined hearts are some of the favourite and more sentimental pattern motifs.

Rainbow Schemes

One-colour schemes are no longer fashionable. Multicolour spots are preferable to one-colour ones. Mixed nosegays, where before there was a single floret, and rainbow sashes are the latest addition to plain frocks.

These sashes are made of lengths of georgette or soft ribbon for which the most brilliant colours are chosen—orange, green, blue and scarlet—and entwined together.

The same rainbow schemes are seen as hat trimmings and sequins on evening gowns and coats, also in the multi-coloured braids that are being used for edgings and hems.

An unusual amount of stitching is in evidence also. Stitched cuffs on gloves instead of wide gauntlets, stitched revers, also rows and rows of stitching which give the flexibility to the fabric hats that are likely to be keen rivals to spring straws.

And this year, choosing a new hat is going to be a pleasure, for most of them are very becoming with their flexible brims and reasonably, flat crowns.

Honey Apples

FRUIT puddings are particularly good for the family at this time of year. Here are two delicious recipes. First, honey apples.

Wash some large, sound apples and remove the cores with a corer. Fill the cavity with honey, and squeeze over a few drops of lemon juice.

Place the apples in a baking tin, add a little water, then bake in a fairly hot oven, Regulo 5, until the apples are cooked.

Fruit Delight

Peel, core and slice some apples and arrange in a buttered pie-dish. Slice a banana over the apples, squeeze over a few drops of lemon juice, then sprinkle with sugar.

Covered with bottled raspberries or loganberries, sprinkle with sugar and breadcrumbs. Dot with margarine, bake for half an hour in a moderate oven.

HOUSEHOLD A B C

A WOODEN spoon is best for rubbing ingredients through a sieve. It will not ruin the wire mesh and it has a larger surface than a metal one.

Be sure to keep all cereals, tea, sugar, spices, etc., in airtight tins or jars, so that they will not go stale.

Coat fruit evenly and quickly when dipping it into batter for making fritters, by using a fork.

Dishes which are greasy are best rubbed over with newspaper before they are washed. If the water is hard, add a little borax and soap powder.

Enamel-lined pots should be allowed to cool before hot water is poured into them ready for washing up, as enamel is very easily cracked.

Fix a hinged flap of wood on the wall near the stove, so that when cooking you can lift it into position and you have a convenient table on which to dish the food.

Give your books a "mend-up" now and again. If the binding is splitting, stick it up with a piece of adhesive tape and paint it over to match the cover.

Hot soups and stocks should be allowed to cool before they are placed in the larder, or there may be a danger of them turning sour.

Inspect your larder daily and mark down on a slate or pad all that is needed, and consult this list when ordering the groceries or doing the shopping.

Just oil your meat-mincer with a little glycerine if it is at all stiff. It will not affect the food in any way.

Keep milk in clean, scalded basins away from any other food which has a strong smell.

Lustre is added to mirrors and polished surfaces if they are rubbed over with an old silk stocking after they have been cleaned in the ordinary way.

Mix your shampoo powder in an old feeding-cup. You can then pour it on to your hair without waste, and in just the right quantity.

Next washing-day save your starch from the wash. If used to wash tiled floors or hearths, a brilliant polish will be obtained.

Over-ripe tomatoes will become quite firm if placed for about 20 minutes in a basin of salted water.

Such pains as toothache, neuralgia and also coughs (apply to the chest for this) are relieved by mustard poultices, but be careful not to injure the skin by leaving on too long. Also take care that the mustard does not get too near the eyes, or they will smart!

To make one of these poultices, spread a cotton cloth with a paste of equal parts mustard and flour mixed with lukewarm water. Cover with a second cloth and apply to the affected part and leave until a "tingling" is felt, but no longer than 20 minutes.

Unless you are careful, boiled fish is easily broken when taken from the pan. If placed on a strainer in the pan the fish will remain unbroken when dished up.

White fish, when cut, should have a creamy appearance, not a bluish tint. Choose fish by its stiffness and bright colour of its eyes and gills.

Scot's Tragic Love Idyll

GUILTY OF RAIDING A HAREM

REPORTS PREPARED FOR THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT HAVE THROWN NEW LIGHT ON THE FATE OF A YOUNG SCOT NAMED ALEXANDER CAIRNS, WHOSE MURDERED AND MUTILATED BODY WAS FOUND IN THE DESERT SOME MILES FROM ALEPPO, SYRIA.

It is now established that he fell a victim to a harem vengeance plot.

Cairns arrived at Aleppo to take up an engineering appointment last summer and showed intense interest in native life.

He was particularly attracted by the glamour of the harems and their dark-eyed inmates.

In some way he managed to get into touch with a girl in one of these establishments—a girl who passed for a Circassian, but is said to have more European than Eastern blood in her veins.

RECKLESS VISIT

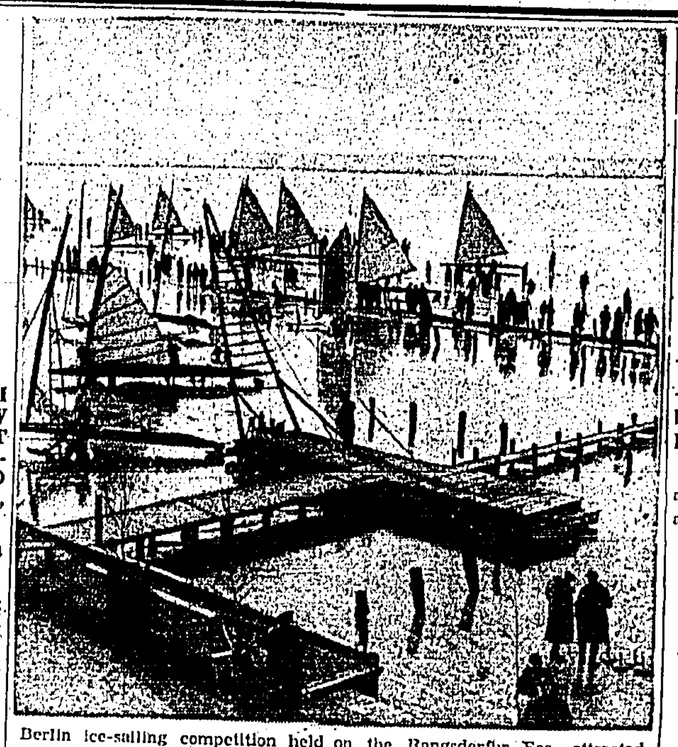
Apparently she was as much interested in him as he in her, and the young Scot conceived the dangerous idea of forcing his way into the harem by night.

He was surprised in the course of a clandestine visit.

Native custom knows only one punishment for persons so caught—death.

Exactly where the penalty was carried out on Cairns is not known.

He had been "executed" with the special marks that denote the nature of his crime for those familiar with the East.



Berlin ice-sailing competition held on the Rangedorfer Sea, attracted record number of entries this year.

Success After 4 Years' Research

DRUG TO KILL PNEUMONIA

Washington, Mar. 1.

DISCOVERY of a new drug which will kill the germs of pneumonia in mice is announced by Dr. Sanford M. Rosenthal, of the National Institute of Health in Washington.

Because of the large dosage required it cannot be applied at present to human beings, "but it is a big advance in the right direction," said Dr. Rosenthal.

"THE EFFECTIVE DRUG HAS THE TECHNICAL NAME OF 'PAMINO-BENZENE SULPHONAMIDE.' IT IS REASONABLY CHEAP AND AVAILABLE COMMERCIALLY.

FOUR YEARS' WORK

"Now we have the drug to do the work, the question is to make it practical for human application," the doctor added.

Discovery of the drug was the result of four years' research by Dr. Rosenthal, who treated more than 300 mice before he found it.—*United Press.*

TEACHING FATHER HIS JOB

One million young mothers and fathers throughout the kingdom are learning their duty as parents from a sixpenny booklet.

The Association of Maternity and Child Welfare Centres, Piccadilly, has just announced the issue of the millionth copy of "To Mothers and Fathers" (6d. post free), compiled by hundreds of the nation's greatest experts.

Here are some of the recommendations for father:

Take your wife for short, gentle evening walks.

Although you cannot help with baby clothes, you might make a cot for baby, or other useful baby furniture.

Show your interest by regularly asking what baby gained in weight.

Requests come from fathers all over the world for this booklet. Borough councils buy thousands to give to prospective parents.

LEGAL RELATIVES FOR FRANCE'S FORGOTTEN SOLDIER

Paris, Mar. 1.

The mystery of France's "forgotten man," known as Anthelme Mangin because amnesia resulting from war experiences caused him to forget his identity, soon may be cleared up by medical experts and psychiatrists.

The case of the "forgotten man" has received much attention, with the result that two sympathetic families have claimed him as their own and have even gone to court over the dispute.

Twenty years ago, a soldier, minus any identification marks, was found wandering about a railroad station suffering from amnesia. He has never recovered his memory and has been called Mangin because this was the first word he muttered when questioned by French authorities. He couldn't remember his first name, so he chose that of Anthelme.

Since then, women have come from all over France hopeful of identifying the amnesia victim as a husband, brother, son or relative lost in the war. The Montjoin family in Nantes identified and claimed him. Similarity of the names—Montjoin and Mangin—seemed plausible, as both are pronounced almost alike and also he bears a certain resemblance to other members of the family. The soldier could not remember the Montjoins, but was willing to join them when Mme. J. Lemary stepped forward and said that this man was her husband who had been reported missing since the war and had never been heard of since.

Both families seem sure of the "forgotten man's" identity and both have furnished sets of photographs which are not unlike the amnesia victim. Mme. Lemary went so far as to bring suit for the return of her husband, but no one was able to decide the identity of the soldier.

Mangin, anxious to have the question of his identity settled and to have a fixed civil status, is submitting himself to expert physicians and scientists who, after thorough examination of the victim and the so-called families, will decide whether he is a Montjoin or the lost husband of Mme. Lemary.—*United Press.*

'Tipperary' Won't Die

"TIPPERARY" is twenty-five years old this month. No, it *wasn't* written during the war, and it *wasn't* composed for the benefit of thousands of tramping feet.

It was written in a public-house as the result of a bet by its author, Mr. J. Judge of Oldbury, Worcestershire.

"I was with a man in a theatre bar and he bet me I couldn't write a song and produce it in one day," Mr. Judge said.

"I accepted the bet, went to an inn and wrote the words and music of 'Tipperary'. The same night I sang it in the Stalybridge Theatre. In a few minutes everybody was singing it.

"It has earned thousands of pounds. I myself have made £5 a week out of it since 1915, and expect I shall continue to do so."

But Mr. Judge is not the only one to claim authorship of "Tipperary."

A tablet at a public-house at Balsall Common, Warwickshire, states the song was written there. Mr. Judge doesn't think so, anyway. *He* makes the money out of it!

Host To Empire's Premiers

London, Mar. 1.

THE King is to attend a luncheon of the Empire Parliamentary Association in Westminster Hall on May 7—the Friday before Coronation Day.

The guests will be the Prime Ministers and members of the Legislatures of the Empire who will be in London for the Coronation, the Imperial Conference, and an Empire Parliamentary Conference.

At the Empire Parliamentary Conference the Dominion Parliament will be represented by delegations headed by a Cabinet Minister and including Speakers, leaders of the Opposition and of other principal parties in the Parliaments.

There will be a delegation from the Indian Central Legislature. Invitations have been sent to the Premiers of the Australian States and the provinces of Canada.

Delegates are also expected from the Irish Free State, and from the Parliament of Northern Ireland as on the occasion of the Empire Parliamentary Conference of 1935.

SEVEN PREMIERS ACCEPT

Colonies which have reached a certain stage of self-government are also sending representatives, including Ceylon, Bermuda, Barbados, Bahamas, Jamaica, Hongkong and Mauritius.

Acceptances have so far been received from about 60 of the invited delegates, including five Speakers, while seven Premiers of States or Provinces have up to the present accepted the invitation to be the guests of the Empire Parliamentary Association for the Coronation Parliamentary Conference.

In recent years a number of functions arranged by the Empire Parliamentary Association have taken place in Westminster Hall. When the present King, then Duke of York, returned from his Australian tour in 1927, he attended a reception given by the Association to visiting members of the Parliaments of the Empire.

Laurel On New Honeymoon

Divorce To Be Erased

New York, Mar. 1.

STAN LAUREL (of Laurel and Hardy) has gone on his second honeymoon.

Stan and wife Virginia have settled the differences that resulted from the maintenance suit filed by Mae Laurel, who alleged that she was the common law wife of the comedian, and the reunited couple have left Hollywood by car for a leisurely journey to New York.

"All our troubles are forgotten," said Laurel before leaving.

The divorce secured on the day before Christmas will be erased.

Before marrying Virginia in 1933, Stan had been divorced from Mrs. Lois Laurel, whom he married in 1926.

WHEAT WITHOUT WORK

A STRAIN of wheat which does not need sowing annually but is perennial, like grass, is being developed and tested on Canada's Dominion Experimental Farms.

The farmer of the future may be able to sow a field of wheat and harvest crops of grain from it year after year, without all the labour of annual ploughing, harrowing and sowing.

Paper Cap May Give Man His Freedom

A DESIGN for a cap sent by a man in Broadmoor Asylum to a social service centre has led to efforts being made for his release.

Alderman J. Ritson, Labour M.P. for Durham, is to be asked by members of the Framwellgate Moor Social Service Centre to help secure the freedom of Horace H. Fidler, who has been at Broadmoor for 34 years.

Fidler, then 18 years old, was sent to the asylum from Durham Assizes on a charge of attacking a colliery manager, now dead.

HIS LETTER

Nothing had been heard of him at Framwellgate Moor until he sent a letter to Mr. C. Dent at the centre stating that he had been reading in a local newspaper of their activities.

He wondered why they did not undertake cap-making.

He enclosed in his letter a paper design of a cap and full instructions.

The members were so impressed that the secretary wrote to him saying they would follow his suggestion.

Since then there has been a movement in the village to secure his release, and a committee has been appointed.

He is remembered in the village for his interest in designing and painting.

Scot Paid £10,000 To Quarrel With Wife

SO that he and his wife could quarrel, if they wanted to, without interference from neighbours, a man bought the houses on each side of his.

They cost him between £10,000 and £15,000.

Mr. F. A. Macquisten, M.P., told the Commons that this happened in Glasgow. The man was wealthy, and had gone to live in the city's "Carlton House-terrace."

He complained to Mr. Macquisten that his aristocratic neighbours were very interfering. "Me and my wife," he said, "had a bit of a tofsie (a row), and they sent for the police."

The story came out while the House was discussing Mr. Petherick's Bill to separate matrimonial question from the ordinary procedure of police courts. The Government promised its support, and it was given a second reading.

'TOO MANY'

At present, said Mr. Petherick, there is no limit to the number of magistrates who hear these cases: sometimes as many as thirty are on the Bench, to the great embarrassment of the parties. He proposed the maximum should be three.

Mr. Pritt, on the Socialist side, said while it was wrong to have the court cluttered up with busybodies and nosy parkers, litigation involving the status of individuals and large sums of money should not be held without public ventilation.

If there was no publicity there might be casual misbehaviour in the courts, and dishonesty on the part of witnesses, who might believe they would never be discovered.

30 PINS IN HER EAR

Ipswich (Massachusetts), Mar. 1.

For thirty years Miss Nellie Gwinn, of Ipswich, Massachusetts, suffered from intermittent earache. X-rays have just revealed the presence of thirty corroded pins and needles, apparently pushed in while she was a child. They have been safely removed.

Engaged To His Half-Sister

Paris, Mar. 1.

ARMAND SCHWEIZ met a girl named Juliet. They fell in love, became engaged. But—

Armand had not been home for many years, so he did not know that his father had married again.

He wrote to his father, telling him of his romance, mentioning the name of the girl he had chosen. The father replied:

"My dear boy: It is your own sister whom you propose to marry."

Juliet's mother had married Armand's father.

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The half-brother and the half-sister cannot wed . . . according to law.

But the President of the Republic is expected to grant them a special dispensation.

ROMANCE OF URSULA JEANS

URSULA JEANS, THE ACTRESS, HAS MARRIED IN NEW YORK ROGER LIVESEY, THE ACTOR. "NOTHING COULD HAVE PLEASED ME MORE," WAS THE COMMENT OF MRS. McMINN, HER MOTHER.

Ursula had cabled her mother: "Just to say we were married this morning, my darling." The cable added that they were very happy.

Roger Livesey is playing with Gilbert Miller's company, "The Country Wife," in New York. Ursula took a holiday a fortnight ago and went to America.

"Ursula's last play was 'The Country Wife' at the Old Vic, and it was at the Old Vic that she first met Mr. Livesey three years ago," Mrs. McMinn said.

"He is thirty and she is twenty-nine and they are an ideal couple. Theirs is a perfectly happy marriage," said Mrs. McMinn. "They are frightfully in love with each other. He is a grand man."

Miss Jeans made her West End stage debut at Wyndham's as Angela in "The Firebrand," in 1926.

In 1931 she married Robin Irvine, the actor, but it was three months before the news of the marriage became known.

The romance ended in tragedy with the death of Mr. Irvine from pleurisy in Bermuda while on holiday.

In 1935, both Miss Jeans and Mr. Livesey denied rumours of their engagement, but Mr. Livesey added: "Theatrical people never get engaged, but they often get married."

Mr. Livesey is the son of the late Sam Livesey. He was educated at Westminster City School and made his stage debut at the St. James's Theatre in 1917.

Like his wife, Mr. Livesey has appeared in many films as well as West End shows.

Gorilla Battles With Flying Squad

Paris, Mar. 1.

A FULL-GROWN gorilla belonging to Mme. Lecomte, kept at bay this afternoon six members of the Paris flying squad sent to capture it.

Trouble began when the gorilla, in a fit of temper, broke its chain, smashed its cage, and attacked Mme. Lecomte.

When the flying squad arrived the gorilla had barricaded itself behind a pile of broken furniture, and a half-hour battle occurred—with pokers and iron bars as defence against flying chairs—before it could be captured.

Then it was sent to the Paris zoo.

SWISS BUILD FORTS

Defence Drive Will Aid Workless

Berne, Mar. 1.

LITTLE Switzerland (her population is 4,100,000, compared with Britain's 47,000,000) will this year spend £4,800,000 on building frontier fortresses and underground air raid shelters, said Minister of Economy Obrecht to-day.

Altogether £25,000,000 will be allotted to public works and Government-subsidised private works. Sums of £4,500,000 will go on (1) work for the unemployed, (2) subsidies to house-owners who undertake to spend the money on repairs.

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TELL DEMOCRACY THE TRUTH

(Continued from Page 6.)

human predilection for comforting delusion, which is proverbially much more characteristic of this country than of more keenly logical and realistic races, seems to have permeated every department of our existence, public and private.

We even go on practising it in our social relations. The Browns are invited to the Joneses. "Have we really got to martyr ourselves for a whole evening again by dining with those unutterable suburban frumps?" moans Brown. "Must we put up with the shattering imbecilities of those bourang-outangs?" demands Jones. There is hardly an end to the vicious circle of daily and hourly self-deceits and hypocrisies. Maybe life would become wellnigh intolerable if we all made a strict rule of perfect candour in private affairs. But I am very sure that persistent hypocrisy and make-believe in public and national business is ultimately disastrous.

SELF-DECEPTION

In the grim competition of world affairs the race will be to the realists, not to the illusionists. A nation disciplined to face facts, and not encouraged to call a shovel an agricultural implement, will surmount those facts better than one that indulges itself in comforting delusions and easy subterfuges.

Above all is this true the domain of public and private morals. When self-deception paves the way to self-destruction, and though it gratifies us nowadays to disguise the fact, morals count in the annals of a country more in the long run than shotted guns or plated tanks. If Fascism ever conquers Europe, which the fates forefend, it will not be because it commanded better brains or better arms, but because it was backed by a better morale.

That is why I sigh for another Dr. Johnson, one who would not scruple to tell either democratics statesmen or democracy itself the naked and possibly disintegrating truth. Unless we are very careful, democracy will be allowed to coddle itself to perdition. Nothing is so susceptible to flattery as a democracy. When it ignores the realism of its declared enemies and false friends, democracy fatally flatters itself.

AMATEUR MOVIES

FILMO DEPOT PRIZE-WINNERS SHOW GOOD WORK

In organising the Amateur Movie Makers' contest, the results of which were announced yesterday, the Filmo Depot, of Marina House, found unexpectedly enthusiastic support from local "fans" of the film.

Prizes and certificates were awarded yesterday at the Filmo Depot as follows:

Class A: 1, Mr. J. B. Emmert; 2, Mr. J. M. X. Chollot; 3, Mr. A. L. Fisher; Honourable Mention, Mr. D. G. E. Middelburg and Mr. H. Smiter.

Class B: 1, Rev. (Capt.) J. A. Williamson; 2, Mr. W. M. Burnside; 3, Mr. J. G. Ozorio; Honourable Mention, Mr. H. Braham and Mr. J. C. Williams.

Substantial prizes were given, and in view of the fact that 35 people entered and considerable interest was shown, it is proposed to hold another competition before the end of the year.

The winning films were shown at the Depot, and proved to be of a high standard, comparing very favourably with professional work. The winning reel in Class A covered news events in Hongkong introduced with trick titles and comprising an extraordinarily able picture story of the arrival of the Clipper. Colour and long distance photography were cleverly done, and close ups of fauna and flora were perfectly screened.

STRIKE SETTLEMENT

APOLOGISES FOR ANY DISCOURTESY TO EMPEROR

Tokyo, March 15.

The N. Y. K. seamen's patriotic strike has terminated following an expression of regret by the Company regarding its failure to dress their ships overall on the occasion of the Emperor's review of the Navy at Kobe.

The Company promises stricter discipline and the inauguration of "Japanism" among the vessels.

The strikers apologise for the inconveniences caused.

It is understood the strikers were re-instated at a ceremony at the Meiji Shrine following the settlement.—*United Press.*

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY.
WEDNESDAY, 17th March, 1937.

A wreath will be laid at the CENOTAPH by the President and Committee of St. Patrick's Society at 11.00 a.m.

Members of the Society and their friends are asked to assemble on the North side of the Supreme Court prior to the Ceremony.

B. H. C. HALLOWES,
Hon. Secretary,
St. Patrick's Society of Hong Kong.

THE MANUFACTURERS LIFE INSURANCE CO.

During my temporary absence on leave from the 20th March to the end of September, 1937, the charge of this office will be under the management of the Resident Secretary, Mr. W. Sharp.

E. J. R. MITCHELL,
Manager for South China.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.

Notice to Shareholders.

The Sixty-eighth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Thursday, the 25th March, 1937, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1936.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 11th to the 25th March, 1937, both days inclusive.

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Hongkong, 5th March, 1937.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the Offices of the Company 2, Queen's Building, Hong Kong, on Monday, 22nd March, 1937, at Noon, for consideration of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1936.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from 12th to 22nd March, 1937, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

E. COCK,
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong,
1st March, 1937.

NOTICE.

As from to-day, our offices will be located on the 3rd. floor of Exchange Building.

GETZ BROS. & CO.

Hongkong, 15th March, 1937.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

DONATIONS RECEIVED FOR LOCAL APPEALS

The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation has received the following further donations to the King George V Memorial Fund:

Previously acknowledged	$146,587.17
Wun Hak-bu	100.00
Sin Bing-sun	100.00
	$146,787.17

St. Vincent de Paul

The Hon. Treasurer of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul acknowledges the receipt of the following donation to the Society's Funds.
The Hongkong Electric Co. Ltd., $100.

St. Francis Home

The following donations have been received up to date in respect of the St. Francis Home for Street Sleepers:

Previously acknowledged on 8.3.37	$1,136.35
Church door collections:	
Rosary Church on 14.3.37	$ 57.60
Donations:	
Mr. So Kwong-leung	2.00
Anon	$ 10.00
French Convent pupils	$ 31.00
	$1,236.95

(Expenditure 1936/1937 Season ending March 15, 1937, amounts to $985.08)

The Congregation T.O.S.F. wishes to thank especially the pupils of the French Convent for their generous donation of $31, which brings the total of their donations for the present season to $61.

CINEMA NOTES

While a playwright is shaping the destiny of his characters, a girl, in search of an author, moulds the destiny of the playwright against his will, in Universal's romantic comedy, "The Man I Marry," which opens at the Alhambra Theatre to-day. Then, to complete the campaign, she refashions his play over his strenuous objection, helps turn it into a smash hit and turns him, from a woman hater, into a worshipper at her shrine. There had been an earlier worshipper at the same shrine, but the girl left him waiting at the altar. The star role in this modern humorous romance is portrayed by Doris Nolan, a vibrant new movie personality who formerly scored on the New York stage in "Night of January 16th." Her splendid acting talent is warmed by vivacious youthful beauty, which screen tests demonstrated to be even more vivid for the films than it had proved previously on the stage. The woman-hating playwright is given reality by Michael Whalen, who is remembered for his excellent work in "Sing, Baby, Sing," "Poor Little Rich Girl" and "Professional Soldier." The part of Doris Nolan's uncle, a theatrical producer, is played by Nigel Bruce. He scored in "Under Two Flags", "The White Angel," "Charge of the Light Brigade" and "Treasure Island." The producer's society wife, and Doris Nolan's marriage manipulating aunt, is portrayed by Marjorie Gateson. She made a hit in such plays as "Street Scene" and "The Love Letter."

"China Clipper"

Every motion picture should have a final punch line of dialogue delivered by some member of the cast. This is the opinion of Pat O'Brien who has the stellar role in the First National picture, "China Clipper," now showing at the King's Theatre. Pat sees an average of three pictures every week in the year and is convinced he should know what he is talking about. "The stereotyped 'clinch' should go to the discard," says Pat. "To-day's motion picture audiences do not like to anticipate the ending. They want it to come upon them suddenly and leave them with a thrill." "China Clipper" is a smashing drama of intercontinental air service. Besides O'Brien, the cast includes Beverly Roberts, Ross Alexander, Humphrey Bogart, Marie Wilson and Henry B. Walthall. The picture was directed by Raymond Enright from the screen play by Frank Wead.

"Bullets or Ballots"

Edward G. Robinson's newest and most dynamic picture is "Bullets or Ballots" showing at the Oriental Theatre on Wednesday and Thursday. In this picture Robinson is neither crook nor gunman, but one of the coldest and most hard boiled detectives of the New York police force. Two other particularly noted screen "bad men" appear with him in the picture, Barton MacLane and Humphrey Bogart. Joan Blondell has the leading feminine role, playing opposite Robinson as his sweetheart, although their romance does not end at the church, Robinson being slain by a double crossing crook after he has tipped off the police commissioner to the real criminals in the case. The picture is really a story of racketeering run on a scale never dreamed of before, the higher-ups in the game, who never come out from cover, being a banker, a big politician and a wealthy society man. They have the power to crush any opposition to their rackets. The story was written by a man who knows all about racketeering, Martin Mooney, the New York police reporter, who exposed it for his paper and took a thirty day gaol sentence for contempt of court rather than reveal his confidential sources of information. There is an unusually large supporting cast which includes Frank McHugh, Richard Purcell, George E. Stone, Joseph Crehan, Henry O'Neill, Henry Kolker and many others besides several hundred in the extra roles.

"Show Boat"

"Show Boat," with the memorable romance and drama of Edna Ferber's novel . . . with the lingering melody and rhythm of Jerome Kern's music. "Show Boat," with the charming glamour and human appeal of Oscar Hammerstein's play. The 1936 Universal film version comes to the Majestic Theatre to-day. The picture tells the love story of Magnolia and Ravenal on a Mississippi show boat. Irene Dunne, the star, and Allan Jones capture the imagination in these romantic singing roles. Charles Winninger plays Captain Andy, genial river showman. His straitlaced wife is portrayed by Helen Westley. "Show Boat" is filled with music and dancing and heart throbs. The popular Helen Morgan, as Julie, sings several delightful songs. Paul Robeson, noted baritone, gives resonant voice and robust life to his role, with a chorus of 200 singers providing magnificent musical effects in the background. A cast of 3,500 people gives reality and sweep to the production.

In a letter written from the Viceroy's House, New Delhi, by Colonel Sleeman, the Chief Commissioner of the St. John Ambulance Brigade Overseas, it is stated that the Colonel is not merely visiting the Far East in his capacity as Commissioner Overseas but as the Representative of His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught, the Grand Prior of the Venerable Order of St. John of Jerusalem.

Shipping Intelligence

Shipping Companies are requested to forward, as early as possible information regarding arrivals, departures, time and mooring place and other movements. Urgent information should be telephoned to the Shipping Editor, Phone 26615.

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WARD (States), A.4.
WING WO (Tai Fung), B.13.
YOCHOW (B. & S.) B.1.

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BENEVIS (Ben Line) from Manila, 3 p.m., Kowloon Wharf. 30693.
CITY OF BIRMINGHAM (Bank Line) from Manila, daylight, Kowloon Wharf. 27791.
DAVIKEN (Jardines) from Shanghai, 8 p.m., West Point. 30311.
KANGCHOW (B. & S.) from Shanghai, 6 p.m., West Point. 30331.
NANCHANG (B. & S.) from Tsingtao, 6 p.m., West Point. 30331.
PRESIDENT MONROE (Dollar) from Manila, 5 p.m., Kowloon Wharf. 28171.

SAILED YESTERDAY

(Agents Phone Numbers Given)

ANHUI (B. & S.) for Penang, 2 p.m., West Point. 30331.
CITY OF BIRMINGHAM (Bank Line) for Europe, 4 p.m., Kowloon Wharf. 27791.
DAVIKEN (Jardines) for Canton, 8 p.m., West Point Wharf.
HAI LEE (Thoresen) for Amoy, 2 p.m., West Point, B.11. 30237.
IXION (B. & S.) for Vancouver, 2 p.m., A.8. 30331.
PRESIDENT McKINLEY (Dollar) for America, midnight, Kowloon Wharf. 28171.

ARRIVING TO-DAY

(Agents Phone Numbers Given)

AUSTRALIEN (E.A.C.) from Europe, 9 a.m. 33266.
GENERAL PERSHING (States) from Japan, p.m., Kowloon Wharf. 30371.
KULMERLAND (Jebsen) from Europe, noon. 26661.
MUINAM (B. & S.) from Hoihow, a.m., West Point. 30331.
SIRDHANA (B.I.) from Calcutta, 8 p.m. 27721.
SUISANG (Jardines) from Kobe, 2 a.m., Kowloon Wharf. 30311.
NEPTUNA (M.M.) from Manila, 11 a.m., Kowloon Wharf. 28031.
PRESIDENT CLEVELAND (Dollar) from America, a.m., Kowloon Wharf. 28171.

SAILING TO-DAY

(Agents Phone Numbers Given)

AUSTRALIEN (E.A.C.) for Singapore, 6 p.m.
BENEVIS (Ben Line) to Europe, daylight. 30693.
GENERAL PERSHING (States) for Manila, midnight, Kowloon Wharf. 30371.
KULMERLAND (Jebsen) for Europe, p.m. 26661.
MEMNON (B. & S.) for Japan, 5 p.m., Holt's Wharf. 30331.
NECKAR (Melchers) for Dairen, 5 p.m., Kowloon Wharf. 27772.
SUISANG (Jardines) to Calcutta, 3 p.m., Kowloon Wharf. 30311.
TAIPING (B. & S.) for Australia, noon, A.7. 30331.
TAIYO MARU (N.Y.K.) for Honolulu, midnight, Kowloon Wharf. 30291.
TJISADANE (J.C.J.L.) for Java, 10 a.m., A.2. 28015.
TJIKARSANG (J.C.J.L.) for Batavia, 11 a.m., A.6. 28015.

ARRIVING TO-MORROW

(Agents Phone Numbers Given)

BUENOS AIRES MARU (O.S.K.) from Japan, p.m. 28061.
CANTON (M.M.) from Haiphong, a.m. 26051.
EMPRESS OF CANADA (C.P.S.) from Manila, 7 a.m., Kowloon Wharf. 20752.
KIANGYUAN (B. & S.) from Hoihow, 3 p.m., West Point. 30331.
PROTESILAUS (J.C.J.L.) from Java, a.m. 28015.
SIRDHANA (B.I.) from Singapore, 8 p.m., Kowloon Wharf. 27721.
TAI SHAN (Dodwell's) from Manila. 28021.
TJINEGARA (J.C.J.L.) from Straits, noon, A.2. 28015.

SAILING TO-MORROW

(Agents Phone Numbers Given)

FUKUKEN MARU (O.S.K.) for Amoy, 10 a.m., O.S.K. Wharf. 28061.
HELIOS (Thoresen) for Bangkok, noon, B.9. 30237.
KIANGSU (B. & S.) for Bangkok, 3 p.m., West Point, B.16. 30331.
PRESIDENT MONROE (Dollar) for Europe, 8 a.m., Kowloon Wharf. 28171.
SOOCHOW (B. & S.) for Shanghai, noon, West Point. 30331.
TAIYUAN (B. & S.) for Amoy, 5 p.m., West Point. 30331.

VESSELS DUE

AJAX (B. & S.) April 11.
ANTENOR, B. and S., Mar. 27.
ATREUS (B. & S.), April 10.
AUSTRALIEN, E.A.C., Mar. 16.
BENALDER, Ben Line, Mar. 18.
CITY OF BIRMINGHAM, Bank, Mar. 16.
DAVIKEN, J. M., Mar. 16.
EMPRESS OF BRITAIN, C.P.S., Mar. 22, 8 a.m.
EMPRESS OF CANADA, C.P.S., Mar. 17.
EMPRESS OF JAPAN, C.P.S., April 9, a.m.
EMP. OF RUSSIA, C.P.S., Mar 25.
FRIDERUN, Melchers, Mar. 28.
GENERAL PERSHING, States, Mar. 15.
GERTRUDE MAERSK, Jebsen, Apr. 2.
GOLDEN TIDE, States, Mar. 30.
HECTOR (B. & S.) April 23.
HELENUS, B. and S., Mar. 20.
HINSANG, J. M., Mar. 19.
HOSANG, J. M., Mar. 18.
ILLINOIS, States, Mar. 23.
INDIA, E.A.C., Apr. 8.
ISAR (Melchers), Apr. 1.
JAVA, E.A.C., Apr. 2.
KITANO MARU (N.Y.K.), Mar. 18.
KULMERLAND, Jebsen, Mar. 16.
LAHN (Melchers), Apr. 5.
MEMNON, B. and S., Mar. 15.
MENTOR, B. & S., April 1.
NECKAR, Melchers, Mar. 18.
NEPTUNA, Gibb, Livingston, Mar. 17.
NORDMARK, Jebsen, Mar. 23.
OLDENBURG, Jebsen, Mar. 20.
PERU, E.A.C., Mar. 25.
PERSEUS, B. and S., Apr. 5.
PRESIDENT CLEVELAND (Dollar) Mar. 16.
PRESIDENT GRANT, Dollar, Mar. 19.
PRESIDENT MONROE (Dollar) Mar. 15.
RELIANCE, Jebsen, Mar. 29, 8 a.m.
SCHARNHORST (Melchers), Mar 28.
SIRDHANA, B. I., Mar. 16, p.m.
TAI SHAN, Dodwell's, Mar. 17.
TASMANIA, Jebsen, Mar. 24.
THIANON, Thoresen, Mar. 24.
TROJA, Thoresen, Mar. 22.
URSULA RICKMERS, Jebsen, Mar. 20.
VICTORIA, Ll. T., Mar. 27.

ZOO SHIP THROUGH HONGKONG

A large and varied collection of wild animals is being taken to Japan in the German motor ship Duisburg, which passed through Hongkong last night.

The collection included polar bears, hippopotamuses, zebras, 12 penguins from South America, a few African antelopes, 24 mandrils and other rare species of monkeys, and more than a hundred different water birds.

The "zoo" is consigned to the Gardens in Nagoya by the well-known firm of Hagenbeck's in Hamburg.

PRESIDENT COOLIDGE

The Dollar liner President Coolidge will sail from San Francisco for Manila and Hongkong via ports, on March 25, according to advice from the Head Office of the Line. The Coolidge will omit Los Angeles and Honolulu both on the outward and homeward trips. She is scheduled to reach Hongkong on April 9, and will sail again for San Francisco on April 13, arriving in that port on May 3, twelve days behind her original schedule.

This alteration to the Coolidge's schedule became necessary as a result of a recent collision. She left San Francisco on March 6 for the East, with 678 passengers on board. She crashed into an oil tanker almost under the Golden Gate bridge and was badly damaged. She was forced to return to her home port for repairs.

P. & O. LINERS

The s.s. Cathay will arrive in the Colony from Singapore on Thursday, March 18, at 6 a.m. and will berth at the Kowloon Wharf.

The s.s. Jeypore is expected to arrive here from Moji on Friday, March 19, at 4 p.m.

EMPRESS OF BRITAIN

The R.M.S. Empress of Britain leaves Padang Bay (Bali) at 6 p.m. to-day and is due at Manila on Saturday at 6 a.m. She is expected here on Monday next at 8 a.m.

McKINLEY PASSENGERS

Passengers on board the s.s. President McKinley which left here for Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama and Seattle, last night were: Lt. J. A. Adkins, Mrs. J. A. Adkins, Miss Amy Allen, Mrs. A. B. Anderson, Dr. William Axling, Dr. Tirso Abad, Mrs. A. Marl Briggs, Mrs. E. Bentley, Mrs. F. A. Bontempo, Mrs. L. H. Birthisel, L. H. Birthisel Jr., Lt. Comdr. S. L. Bates, Mrs. Mary M. Bates, Mr. R. Bates, Miss Gloria P. Bates, Dr. A. M. Bunag, Mrs. Gloria N. Bunag, Dr. N.F.X. Banvard, Mrs. N.F.X. Banvard, Matr. F. X. Banvard, Miss Mary H. Banvard, Mrs. K. S. Cozine, Mrs. Harney Cull, Lt. B. L. Carr, Mrs. Morton Deyo, Mrs. F. G. Fahrion, Miss Betty Fahrion, Mrs. Judith E. Ferguson, Dr. F. Feng, Mr. Carlos Geronimo, Mrs. Marie Hamowy, Matr. Albert Hamowy, Miss Edwin Hamowy, Mrs. J. L. Hall, Mrs. W. A. Higbie, Capt. A. A. Jones, Mrs. A. A. Jones, Mstr. G. D. Jones, Mrs. Mary Jones, Mrs. Francis C. Jones, Miss Patricia Jones, Mstr. Earle B. Jones, Mstr. Francis C. Jones, Mr. N. A. Morris, Lt. D. W. Morton, Mrs. D. W. Morton, Mr. W. E. Magee, Mrs. Peggy McKay, Miss Maude McKay, Mrs. Estella Allen McMahan, Mrs. Zoya P. Munoz, the Rev. Michael O'Dwyer, Mrs. S. F. Pletek, Col. Wm. F. Pearson, Mrs. Maria Phillips, Mrs. R. S. Rees, Miss Rochel Sasson, Mrs. Edward L. Short, Mrs. Frank L. Smith, Mrs. Albert Simon, Mr. Charles, S. Seidle, Mrs. Geraldine E. Seidle, Miss Hattie E. Seidle, Mrs. P. Todino, Major E. A. Williams, Mstr. James Williams, Mrs. F. A. Williams, Miss Patricia M. Williams, Lt. Peyton L. Wirtz and Mrs. Peyton L. Wirtz.

NEW CHINESE SERVICE

The Haiheng, of the China Merchants' Steam Navigation Company, will inaugurate the new Amoy-Hongkong-Manila service, announced in the *Telegraph* yesterday, on March 27.

She is scheduled to leave Amoy on that date and will proceed direct to Manila. Leaving Manila on April 2 the vessel will arrive in Hongkong on April 4 and will proceed to Amoy on the following day.

This will be the maiden voyage on a service which thereafter will be maintained at regular 10-day intervals. The Haiheng has passenger accommodation for about 600 passengers, and will also carry general cargo and mail. She is provided with spacious dining rooms, parlours and smoking rooms.

The Haiheng is a new ship. She was built in 1934 by the Barclay Curle Company Ltd., of Glasgow. Her gross displacement is 3,415 tons, and she is capable of making 12½ knots.

POST OFFICE.

POSTAL ANNOUNCEMENT

The Public are reminded that the postage on Printed Papers Commercial Papers, Samples and Small Packets must be fully prepaid. Insufficiently prepaid Printed Papers etc. are not forwarded.

VIA SIBERIA ROUTE.

Letters, Postcards and Samples for Europe and South America are forwarded "via Siberia" if so superscribed.

INWARD MAILS

Japan and Shanghai	General Pershing	March 16.
Shanghai and Swatow	Kanchow	March 16.
Hoihow	Muinam	March 16.
Australia and Manila	Neptunh	March 16.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 20th February)	Pres. Cleveland	March 16.
and Europe via Siberia (London date, 25th February)		
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 6th March.	**R.M.A. Dorado**	**March 16.**
Calcutta and Straits	Sirdhana	March 16.
Java	Tjinegara	March 16.
Japan	Buenos Aires Maru	March 17.
Haiphong	Canton	March 17.
Manila	Emp. of Canada	March 17.
Haiphong, Pakhoi and Hoihow	Kingyuan	March 17.
Straits	Protesilaus	March 17.
Straits and Europe via Suez (Letters and Papers) London, 18th Feb. and London Parcels—London date, 11th February.	Cathay	March 18.
Calcutta, Straits and Saigon	Hosang	March 18.
Australia and Manila	Kitano Maru	March 18.
Shanghai and Swatow	Kwangtung	March 18.
Straits	Mayebashi Maru	March 18.
Straits	Burdwan	March 19.
Japan and Shanghai	Carthage	March 19.
Japan	Jeypore	March 19.
Saigon	Pres. Doumer	March 19.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai (Victoria B.C., 27th. Feb.)	Pres. Grant	March 19.
Haiphong	G.G. Paul Doumer	March 20.
Straits	Helenus	March 20.
Straits	Toyooka Maru	March 20.
Bangkok and Swatow	Kweiyang	March 21.
Shanghai	Teucer	March 22.
Shanghai	B. De. St.-Pierre	March 23.
Straits	Cremer	March 23.
Shanghai	Deucalion	March 23.
Japan	Toba Maru	March 24.
Canada, U.S.A., Japan, and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C., 6th March)	Emp. of Russia	March 25.

OUTWARD MAILS

Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m., registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

For	Per	Date and Time.
Tuesday		
Straits and Calcutta	Sui Sang	Tucs., Mar. 16,
Parcels, Mar. 16, noon.	Letters,	Mar. 16, 1 p.m.
Air Mail for Canton and Districts	**C.N.A.C. plane**	**Tucs., Mar. 16.**
	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	
	Reg., Mar. 16, Noon.	
	Letters, Mar. 16, 12.30 p.m.	
Shanghai	Memnon	Tucs., Mar. 16, 2.30 p.m.
Air Mail for "France Orient Service" —Due Marseilles, 28th March	**Cape St. Francis**	**Tucs., Mar. 16.**
	G. P. O. & K. P. O.	
	Reg., Mar. 16, 3.30 p.m.	
	Letters, Mar. 16, 4.00 p.m.	
Saigon	Cape St. Francis	Tucs., Mar. 16, 4.30 p.m.
Manila	General Pershing	Tucs., Mar. 16, 5 p.m.
*Manila	Pres. Monroe	Tucs., Mar. 16, 5 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Central and South America, *Canada, and *Europe via San Francisco and *Europe via Siberia (Due San Francisco, 9th April).	Tayo Maru	Tucs., Mar. 16.
	Reg.,	Tucs., Mar. 16, 5 p.m.
	Letters	Tucs., Mar. 16, 5.30 p.m.
Air Mail for Swatow, Amoy, Foochow and North China (via Shanghai).	**C.N.A.C. plane**	**Tucs., Mar. 16.**
	Shenungwan P.O.	
	Reg., Mar. 16, 5 p.m.	
	Letters, Mar. 16, 7 p.m.	
K.P.O.	**G.P.O.**	
Reg., Mar. 16, 5 p.m.	**Reg., Mar. 16, 5 p.m.**	
Letters, Mar. 16, 5.30 p.m.	**Letters, Mar. 17, 5 a.m.**	
Wednesday		
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Fukuken Maru	Wed., Mar. 17, 8.30 a.m.
*Swatow and Bangkok	Kiangsu	Wed., Mar. 17, 1.30 p.m.
Amoy	Taiyuan	Wed., Mar. 17, 3.30 p.m.
Swatow *Amoy and Foochow	Haitan	Wed., Mar. 17, 3.00 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Cleveland	Wed., Mar. 17, 4.00 p.m.
Thursday		
Swatow, *Amoy and Foochow	Nanchang	Thurs., Mar. 18, 8.30 a.m.
Hoihow	Muinam	Thurs., Mar. 18, 9.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa	Buenos Aires Maru	Thurs., Mar. 18, 2.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America and *Europe via Vancouver B.C. (Parcels for Canada only).	Emp. of Canada	Thurs., Mar. 18.
	Parcels	Mar. 18, 4 p.m.
	Reg.	Mar. 18, 5 p.m.
(Due Vancouver, B.C., 7th April.)	Letters	Mar. 18, 5.30 p.m.
Friday		
Amoy	Tjinegara	Fri., Mar. 19, 8.30 a.m.
Letters for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London 28th March.	**R.M.A. Dorado**	**Fri., Mar. 19.**
	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	
	Reg., Mar. 19, 8.30 a.m.	
	Letters, Mar. 19, 9.30 a.m.	
Letters for Australia by "Imperial Airways Service"—due Darwin 23rd March.	**R.M.A. Dorado**	**Fri., Mar. 19.**
	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	
	Reg., Mar. 19, 8.30 a.m.	
	Letters, Mar. 19, 9.30 a.m.	
Shanghai, Japan and *Europe via Siberia	Cathay	Fri., Mar. 19, 10.30 a.m.
Shanghai and *Japan	Pres. Doumer	Fri., Mar. 19, 1.30 p.m.
Japan	Hosang	Fri., Mar. 19, 5 p.m.
Saturday		
Letters for "K.L.M. Service"—due Amsterdam 29th March.	**Carthage**	**Sat., Mar. 20.**
	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	
	Reg., Mar. 20, 9.30 a.m.	
	Letters, Mar. 20, 10 a.m.	
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles (Due Marseilles, 16th April).	Carthage	Sat., Mar. 20.
	G. P. O. and K. P. O.	
	Parcels	Fri., Mar. 19, 5 p.m.
	Reg.	Sat., Mar. 20, 9.45 a.m.
	Let.	Sat., Mar. 20, 10.30 a.m.
Hoihow, Pakhoi and *Haiphong	Kwangtung	Sat., Mar. 20, 1 p.m.
Haiphong	Canton	Sat., Mar. 20, 2 p.m.
Amoy	Anhui	Sat., Mar. 20, 3.30 p.m.
Saigon, *Manila, Sandakan, Neptuna Salamaua, and Rabaul	Neptuna	Sat., Mar. 20, 5.00 p.m.
Sunday		
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Canton Maru	Sun., Mar. 21, 9 a.m.
Tuesday		
Batavia	Tjisaroea	Tues., Mar. 23, 9.30 a.m.
Air Mail for "France Orient Service" (Due Marseilles, 4th April)	**B. De. St. Pierre**	**Tues., Mar. 23.**
	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	
	Reg., Mar. 23, 10.30 a.m.	
	Letters, Mar. 23, 11 a.m.	
Saigon, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles (Due Marseilles, 23rd April)	B. De. St. Pierre	Tues., Mar. 23.
	G. P. O. and K. P. O	
	Reg.	Mar. 23, 10.45 a.m.
	Letters	Mar. 23, 11.30 a.m.
Wednesday		
Straits, Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt and *Europe via Marseilles (Due Marseilles 21st April—and London parcels—(Due London 26th April)	Deucalion	Wed., Mar. 24.
	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	
	Parcels	Mar. 24, 9 a.m.
	Reg.	Mar. 24, 9.45 a.m.
	Letters	Mar. 24, 10.30 a.m.
Fort Bayard and Haiphong	G. G. Paul Doumer	Wed., Mar. 24, 2 p.m.

***Superscribed correspondence only.**

COMPANY MEETING.

SATISFACTORY YEAR BY VIBRO PILING

The annual general meeting of the Vibro Piling Company, Limited, was held at the Jacobean Room of the Hongkong Hotel yesterday. There were present Messrs. S. M. Churn (Chairman) J. J. Basto and the Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall (Directors), F. E. d'Almada Remedios (Secretary) and E. W. Blackmore, C. H. Basto, Lam Shu-chuen, Lo Pang-tin, Yeung Pok, L. Weill, M. Weill and L. G. Ribeiro (shareholders).

In addressing the shareholders, the Chairman said:

Before we proceed with the business of this meeting, I think it is fitting and proper that we should place on record an expression of our deep regret at the untimely death of our late Chairman Mr. C. A. da Roza. In his demise the Company has been deprived of a most capable and resourceful Chairman and helpful adviser. As a token of our respect to his memory, I ask you, Gentlemen, to stand for a few moments in silence.

From the profit and loss account you will have observed that after providing for depreciation in the sum of $7,379.70, the net profit for the year amounts to $25,842.76, a showing which I feel certain you will concur with me is highly satisfactory.

Turning to the balance sheet, I think you will find that this statement is very straight-forward and hardly requires any comments from the Chair, except perhaps, the observation that the items investment on first mortgage shown at $30,000, secured loans at $21,000 and cash in hand at $55,386.37, reflect in a very vivid manner the excessive capital on hand. However, as this feature of our situation will be dealt with fully at the extraordinary meeting which is to take place after the present meeting, I will defer further reference to it until then.

Of the accounts receivable shown at $21,059.40, only $3,000 remains unpaid at date, this sum being the retention money of one of the contracts completed last year. We expect the release of this retention sometime next month.

Bright Prospects

I would like to avail of this opportunity to tell shareholders that the year through which we are now passing has started under very encouraging conditions, and I have every reason to hope that when we next meet it will be possible to present as favourable a showing.

I formally propose that the report and accounts as presented, including the recommendation to transfer $26,514.17 from profit and loss account to plant and machinery account be adopted.

The motion was seconded by Mr. L. Weill and carried unanimously.

On the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. C. H. Basto, the Hon. Mr. Kotewall was re-elected a director for the ensuing year, and on the motion of Mr. M. Weill, seconded by Mr. E. W. Blackmore, Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews were re-elected Auditors.

Immediately after the meeting, an extraordinary general meeting of the Company was held to consider a resolution to reduce the capital of the Company by paying off $2 per share on each of the 32,300 shares issued.

The Chairman said:

The circular letter which accompanied the notice convening this meeting, deals with the resolution so fully, that perhaps any remarks which may be made by me would be considered superfluous. However, some of you may think that a short reference to the past history of the Company with regard to its capital, may not be out of place.

Company's History

The Company commenced operations early in January 1930 with an issued capital of $70,750, with one plant and a working capital of approximately $25,000. After a few months the need of an additional plant was felt, and the issued capital was increased to $105,000 for the purpose of acquiring this second plant. In 1931 we made an investment in the Shanghai Company to operate the "Vibro" system in that field. This investment was made partly from profits and partly through an increase in capital. Unfortunately, however, the Shanghai Company proved a failure, and the whole of the investment has since been written off from profits. It is mainly on this account, that the Company finds itself to-day in possession of a capital very much in excess of its needs, and inasmuch as you will have gleaned from the circular letter addressed to you that the proposed reduction of capital would not in any way impair the profit earning capacity of the Company, your Board, after the fullest consideration, has come to the conclusion that the best interest of shareholders, as well as the Company, would be served by returning $2 per share on the 32,300 issued shares of the Company.

I formally propose the adoption of the following resolution.—"That the nominal capital of the Company be reduced from $215,000, divided into 43,000 shares of $5 each, to $150,400, divided into 10,700 shares of $5 each and 32,300 shares of $3 each, and that such reduction be effected by returning paid up capital to the extent of $2 per share to the shareholders of the 32,300 shares of $5 each which have been issued."

The resolution was seconded by Mr. L. G. Ribeiro and carried unanimously, after which the Chairman announced that the necessary legal steps to give effect to the resolution would be taken forthwith.

Michael Whalen discovers that a sheriff and a shot-gun are powerful arguments in Universal's film, "The Man I Marry," which is showing at the Alhambra Theatre to-day.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

MARKET IRREGULAR YESTERDAY

New York, Mar. 15.

S. C. & F. Dow Jones Summary of yesterday's market:—To-day saw the lightest trading since March 1st. Steels were sold, while rails and utilities dipped after an early strength. Oils were down. Some specials showed substantial gains. High grades were dull. Motors sagged fractionally. Non-ferrous metals were mixed, with majority lower. Aviations were firm. Consolidated Edison equalled its own low. Dupont showed a new low. Curb stocks were dull, with sentiment mixed. Bonds were lower, with Government issues touching new lows.

S. C. & F. *Wall Street Journal* Morning Comment:—The utmost discrimination and caution are necessary since the market has now become more two-sided. Some observers predict a dividend for Fisk Rubber, common. The strength of Atlantic Coastline is based on the record Florida season. Some traders predict lower prices for copper and the other metal markets next week. If highgrade bonds should decline much further, it is expected that considerable buying will be encountered. It is gossiped that shorts have again taken positions in U.S. Steel, common.

S. C. & F. New York office cables: Stocks: Stocks to-day were in moderate supply and we expect a technical rally shortly. The "Times" business index for the week was 106.5 as against 107.3 for last week and 92.0 for the corresponding week of last year.

Cotton: The response to the strength of the Liverpool market was sustained by price-fixing here and short-covering for May on the indication that it was assuming the strength of the March position. Speculative buying was light and the undertone of the market was steady, with the market absorbing heavy profit-taking. Textiles were active and prices are still advancing.

Wheat: The firmness of the July position is construed as forecasting a strong demand for our Winter crop and renewed European buying of Argentine wheat, of which 71,000,000 bushels remains for export. Canadian export sales are reported to be over 1,000,000 bushels. There has been a visible decrease in supplies of 1,373,000 bushels.

Corn: Cash demand is strong and supplies are light. Argentine old crop is reported to be almost exhausted and supplies of new crop will not be available until late March shipment. There has been a visible increase in supplies of 104,000 bushels.

Rubber: Buying was mostly from foreign sources, while dealer selling continues on advances. There has been an increase in the price of tires by 6 per cent. English stocks have decreased by 3,642 tons.

Copper: American producers are reported to be opposed to any further advances, but, if an advance is necessitated by foreign speculation, it will only be temporary.

REUTER QUOTATIONS

30 Industrials	190.58	189.41
20 Rails	62.05	62.03
20 Utilities	32.88	32.85
40 Bonds	103.10	102.88
11 Commodity Index	77.66	76.72

The Hongkong Telegraph.

TUESDAY, MARCH 16, 1937.

LUNATICS AND LEPERS

One of the Colony's most urgent needs, which was fully realised by Sir William Peel during his Governorship, and is also just as keenly recognised by Sir Andrew Caldecott, is the provision of a properly equipped and adequately staffed Mental Hospital. It is to be hoped that the impending change of Governors, consequent on Sir Andrew's appointment to Ceylon, will not result in this matter be pigeon-holed. For more years than we care to remember has the subject appeared in Budget debates, but various reasons have intervened to cause delay in a matter which ought to have been taken in hand fully twenty years ago. Latterly, financial stringency has been the factor. More than one site has been officially ear-marked for the erection of the asylum; the last was the area originally set aside for the Central British School, near the Kowloon Hospital. Since then there have been various other tentative suggestions, among the latest being the idea of locating the Institution somewhere in the New Territories. No-one who has visited the present so-called Mental Hospital can have seen conditions there without realising the utter inadequacy and unsuitability of the premises for the purposes which they are supposed to fulfil. The place can only be described as a prison—and a very out-of-date and objectionable prison at that. So far from contributing to the recovery of patients, we can imagine no place more likely to drive the inmates to insanity. Not only is the asylum quite unsuited for what may be termed ordinary cases of insanity, but there are types which provide the authorities with a very real problem, in that there is no institution in the Colony where proper treatment thereof can be provided. What is obviously needed is a modern asylum, in charge of an experienced alienist. It need not be a big, costly institution, and the idea of locating it in the New Territories, where the inmates would be able to engage in healthful outdoor pursuits, has much to commend it. The matter is one which we commend to the attention of Unofficial members of the Legislative Council, with a view to pressure being brought to bear to remove a reproach from which the Colony has too long suffered. It must be assumed that our Unofficials have, at one time or another, as visiting Justices of the Peace, seen for themselves how far short of what is needed the existing Mental Hospital falls. They should, therefore, be under no delusions concerning the necessities. And at the same time, we urge that they should take up the question of the provision of a much-needed Leprosarium, which might with advantage also be established in the New Territories.

The MIRACLE of MICHIGAN

COMFORTABLE America has been frightened by the successful auto-strike. It has upset the big employers, who could always depend on their gunmen, by showing that the workers have a weapon against which neither spies nor tear gas are of much use.

The internal spy systems have so far prevented mass organisation in the mass-production industries.

But spies cannot stop a hundred thoroughly irritated men stopping the nerve centre of an intricate plant, and throwing the whole assembly line out of gear.

The thing happens before the stool-pigeon can run to tell the boss. Either the spy has to sit-down as well . . . or "isn't it just too bad what happens to him?"

Several trusted weapons proved useless in Michigan. The large consignments of tear and emetic gases shown to the journalists as a warning are useless in the open air. The wind blows the stuff away.

What is its use in a sit down strike? It may smoke out the men, but a drift may make the sacred office department equally unsafe.

A sit down strike is the Nemesis of mass production. A few men can stop the whole intricate organisation, so the union withdraws only the vitally necessary men. The surplus labour is left in the employer's hands, not the unions.

The pet device of forcing workers to sign loyalty cards becomes futile. The union told the men to sign the loyalty cards.

"Of course our men signed 'em. Gee, why shouldn't they? We don't want all the union men fired. They know they can't go back to work while we are out, so what?" said Bud, in charge of the "toughest babies" among the strike pickets.

Political managers are as worried as Big Business, because, for the first time in a large-scale dispute, the workers have felt the value of organised political power.

"We backed you, Roosevelt. You can't turn the guns on us," said the union men. Though the sheriff, in hysterics, had armed every thug brought in from Chicago and Detroit, only once did he dare break out.

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It was the organised backing of labour, not a mere wave of emotion, that secured that eleven-million majority for Mr. Roosevelt.

In every union office his portraits were displayed as though he had been a Labour candidate. The Democratic Party is anxious to keep that vote for the unpredictable next time.

Lewis is being blamed for precipitating a strike, which he didn't want, and which, but for such favourable factors, might have wrecked his careful plans. The $500,000 fund raised last year for the organising of the steelworkers, largely by a dollar a head levy on the miners, is nearly spent.

In Detroit and Toledo and Flint, I talked with organisers who had been out on that dangerous job. They had been hounded by sheriffs, run out of town by Vigilante thugs, but their work had succeeded beyond even their hopes.

Men like Joe Dietzel, smashed by thugs in Saginaw, near Flint, while actually under police protection, forgot bruises and broken bones when telling of their work in steel.

"We can't even convince Lewis of how much backing there is for the strike this spring . . . even beyond our signed-up cards," they said.

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Wall Street's operators, in this period of booming armaments, didn't want the show-down in steel. They know wages there are too bad, grievances too spectacular. Autos are America's best paid industry.

To fight the new organising drive where it had made least headway meant calling off the experienced organisers from the steel plants.

This is not to say that General Motors directors started the sit-down. But it did happen that from insignificant plants in Georgia and Kansas came the impetus that swept through the almost unorganised Michigan industry.

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What is the miracle of Michigan? Why is Wall Street worried?

"Now for the fight in steel and coal" everyone was saying as I left U.S.A. If autos, with less than 20 per cent. organised when the strike started, can pull off the victory that they have done, what will happen in the well-organised mines. . . with Governor Earle in charge of the armed forces of Pennsylvania, and his eye on the democratic nomination next time? Or steel? Pittsburgh is also in Pennsylvania.

The leadership and the organisation, improvised as it had to be, struck me as pretty good. Commander-in-chief of the whole Michigan Front was Adolph Germer, trained and experienced in the biggest American Federation of Labour fights.

At Flint were young men like Robert Travis, Powers Hapgood, (well-known from Labour conferences in England) and Bud Symons, straight from the bench, as fascinating an Irishman as ever slugged a scab for the good of his soul.

There was no strike pay, of course. Dorothy Kraus, a young Labour journalist, who is one of the rising young women of America, organised the Women's Emergency Committee, consisting of the strikers' wives, for feeding the pickets. At odd moments she organised and rehearsed the Living Newspaper of the Strike.

This was a parody on the events of the strike and, acted by the strikers, was a wild success.

The strikers' wives were naturally worried about the Vigilantes—Fascist thugs armed by the Sheriff.

But they roared with joy at a satire on the local Vigilante meeting—"and then somehow they aren't afraid any more," said wise Mary Heaton Vorse, the well-known writer, who went down to help.

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At the University of Chicago, experienced motion study men were slashing their hands over an increased speed-up which they said was becoming beyond human endurance.

To have some say in the speed of the conveyor belt is what the auto worker means by collective bargaining.

Sit-down not wage claims, supplying the driving energy which produced the miracle of the Michigan strikes.

"Sit-down strikes are the Nemesis of mass production."

To-day's Thought

SOME people take more care to hide their wisdom than their folly.

—SWIFT.

TELL DEMOCRACY THE TRUTH

By "AN OLD STAGER"

THERE are some people in this country who believe, or think they believe, there is urgent need at this time for a strong, silent, dictator, some British Mussolini or Hitler who will dragoon everybody to his will, and clean up in the twinkling of an eyelid all our political, economic, and social problems.

Those who hold sincerely to this view are of two quite distinct categories. The vast majority, the would-be obedient and homage-paying disciples of this miracle-worker, are simpletons of the same order who swallow every word of the most egregious quack advertisements. They would be equally enthusiastic and convinced followers of table-rapping and clanking-ghost superstitions.

The minority, small and extremely select, are persons who secretly but firmly believe they could, with their hands in their own pockets, lay those hands on the appropriate candidate for Chief or Assistant-Deputy Dictator.

Yet even normal persons, quite outside both those well-marked categories, must occasionally feel that there is an opening for some inspired and inspiring leadership in Great Britain to-day. My own feeling is that we could very well "do," to use a vulgarism that is expressive and not American with an intellectual dictator.

In short what we need at this epoch is another Dr. Samuel Johnson, a sincerely learned and clear-sighted critic, gifted with an even uncouth power of passionate assertion, who would tell us, if we may still pursue the primrose path of pure vulgarism, just where we get off the bus.

DELUSIONS PREFERRED

I am temperamentally and constitutionally averse from dictatorship of the governing and administrative order. But I believe a purely educational dictatorship, by the right man, if he could be found, might do us all the good imaginable.

Unfortunately for us we have just lost even our great paradoxical epigrammatist. G.K.C. is no more amongst us. He fell short of the full stature of Boswell's hero, but his scathing comments did help to scarify the mentally hysterical and intellectually impulsive. Perhaps the finest thing G.K.C. ever said was his remark that Christianity has not been tried and found wanting, but has been found difficult and not tried.

That caustic criticism cuts to the roots of a good many modern cocksure theories. Indeed, the cardinal crime of this age, certainly in this country, is a refusal to face awkward facts, but to prefer conveniently easy delusions.

Just take a casual glance around. At present our politics is mainly concerned with foreign affairs. Our deadly obsession is another great war. Our sheet anchor is the League of Nations. Even the quite ordinary public schoolboy knows, not to mention such a precocious little intellectual snob as Macaulay's classic infant, that the League of Nations as it is now constituted and functions is about as useful as a sick headache. But since, in this materialistic age, Geneva is our only refuge from the slings and arrows of outrageous militarism, most of us refuse to recognise that palpable fact, and prefer to go on clinging to a non-existent rock of ages.

NON-INTERVENTION MYTH

Take the Spanish civil war, now being most furiously and scientifically waged and equipped for Spaniards by cosmopolitan experts of all nations. None of the cold-drawn, angle-ironed facts prevent many of us devoutly persisting with that pretty fiction, the Non-Intervention Committee. Sheer hallucination, but, oh, so comforting!

Just the same psychological kink is disclosed in other relations of everyday life. We used to be troubled by the monstrous legions of our unemployed. They were a sort of perpetual nightmare. But now we have made the interesting official discovery that it is better to quote the statistics of employment instead. That enables us to shake off the bad dream of unemployed workers. Any subterfuge to dodge the unpleasant facts of existence.

My only amazement is that now, instead of quoting our mortality statistics at so many dead per hundred thousand of the population, we do not reverse the process, and enumerate the surviving proportion. It would look ever so much nicer and brighter. After all, our enterprising seaside resorts have set us a fine example. They advertise their daily portion of sunshine, not their ration of rain.

Another typical example of mental side-stepping is our traffic scandal. We are incurring an average of about 150 deaths and four or five thousand lesser casualties every week on our high roads. In the last eleven years well over seventy thousand people have been done to death on the roads, and about a million and a half at least more or less badly hurt. A shocking proportion of these have been young children, the citizens we are being gloomily assured we shall badly need in the years of reduced birthrate just ahead.

VICTIMS OF SPEED

We are beginning to become quite perturbed by this steady and increasing holocaust. Every imaginable remedy is being suggested—except the obvious one of reducing speed. Only a few regrettable cranks or moral perverts venture to whisper that one, and they are promptly hush-hushed off the stage. Why not speak up boldly, and, if we really think so, state outright that no amount of human casualties can be permitted to hold up the onward march of mechanical evolution and rapid human progress? One could at least respect the honesty of that attitude. Pecksniffian pretence, and official humbug are merely disgusting.

It is an old joke that nobody was ever made unwell by the champagne or port wine. It is always the salmon mayonnaise that lets us down after the junketing. This very

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HE SOLD A 'SAINTHOOD' BY MONTHLY PAYMENTS

£2,000 Prayers

New York, Mar. 1.

THE world's best salesman is Sylvester Hasselbach, of Detroit, who sold sainthood on the instalment plan to an aged steelworker, now dead, who wanted to be good.

Hasselbach, gaoled to-day, had been living since 1925 on money paid him by William Fountaine, at the rate, a relative said, of more than £10 a month.

Hasselbach said: "Fountaine gave me a book of prayers and told me to see if I could get divine messages. I started reading. All of a sudden the Almighty began talking to me. I wrote down everything He said."

One of the messages read: "William, it is my will that thou give Sylvester alms—40 per cent. of your bankbook."

"Fountaine paid £2,000 in all on account of the sainthood," said Hasselbach. "I was going to make him St. Gertrude."

Elizabeth Bergner, who never sees her own films, recently arrived at one of the cinemas in London where her film "Dreaming Lips" was being played, in order to be presented to Queen Mary who had seen the picture. Picture shows Miss Bergner in the hall of the cinema.

Museum Whale's 60 Teeth Gone

AFTER many vicissitudes, including the removal of its 30 pairs of teeth by souvenir-hunters, the skeleton of a sperm whale has reached the Natural History Museum at South Kensington as the property of the Crown. It is a "fish royal."

The giant fish, 59ft. long and weighing 60 tons when whole, stranded on a sandbank off Bridlington on Jan. 25 last.

It was a diversion for visitors to the Yorkshire resort, but an embarrassment to the Corporation, whose business it was to dispose of it.

BREAKWATER DAMAGED

Two local fishmongers undertook to dispose of the flesh, and Mr. P. Stanwitz, the British Museum preparator, supervised its dissection and transport to London.

He had an adventurous time.

The skull, weighing about three tons, sank in the sand, adding to the difficulties caused by stormy weather.

Then the remainder of the carcase was torn away by heavy seas from the breakwater to which it was made fast. The breakwater was damaged.

The body was swept six miles down the coast.

After the skull had been loaded on a lorry, the gear used for lifting was swept out to sea.

At last the complete five-ton skeleton—minus the teeth, of course—was successfully loaded and sent to London.

There its weight broke the unloading tackle.

Now, the skull, looking like an enormous wheelless chariot, lies in a cavity dug in the museum grounds.

MORE SUBMARINES FOR RUSSIA

At Rate Of One Per Month

London, Mar. 1.

According to reports which are believed to be credible, the Soviet are intensively building submarines and actually adding to their fleet of them at the rate of one monthly.

At present it is believed that there are 40 at Vladivostok, which it is hoped will be raised to 50 by the end of the year, and 90 in the Baltic, compared with America's total of 100, France's 92 and Italy's 87.

According to official returns the Soviet have only four submarines, which is notoriously absurd, but Moscow refuses information to the other Powers on the actual strength of the Soviet navy, excepting pre-war ships or the construction programme.

It is believed that the principal naval yards are on the Black Sea, out of reach of aeroplane attack, whence the submarines are shipped in sections for assembling in the Baltic and Far Eastern ports.

The time required for the completion of a submarine obviously depends on the size. The average time for building in Great Britain is two years.

The new Soviet submarines are reported to be small for coastal waters, thus shortening the time of construction and facilitating the transport of sections by rail.—*Reuter.*

"THIRD DEGREE" MURDER TRIAL

New York, Feb. 26.

DETAILS of 57 injuries which caused the death of Frank Monighan, the "third degree" murder victim, were given in the Somerset (Pennsylvania) Court by the doctor who performed the autopsy.

The coroner had returned a verdict that death was due to a heart attack, superinduced by chronic alcoholism.

Now District Attorney James Reilly, of Fayette County, Harry Byrne, his assistant, and five police officials are facing a charge of murder in the first degree.

The coroner, two doctors and an undertaker are charged with aiding and abetting.

FOLLOWED BY CAR

Monighan, father of a law professor at Yale, was a hotel keeper at Union town, Pennsylvania.

On the night of Sept. 12 he was fined for assault. Earlier in the evening he had been driving in a motor-car with Florence Dean, an 18-year-old chambermaid.

They were followed and overtaken by the district attorney and Detective Wall. Monighan was ordered into the back of the car.

According to the prosecution Wall attempted to attack the girl and Monighan went to her aid with a knife. He cut Wall seriously, and his arrest was ordered.

He was brought to the police station, but the district attorney demanded that he be taken to the courthouse.

There in the basement, alleges the prosecution, he was subjected to 40 minutes' torture, which killed him.

Screams were heard coming from the courthouse. His son heard of them and demanded an inquiry. Dr. Herbert Lund performed an autopsy.

He told the Court that Monighan had been clinked repeatedly. Every part of his body except the back of the legs was an almost unbroken mass of bruises.

The defence is that Monighan knowing he would be sent to gaol for assault, had threatened to kill the judge who sentenced him.

Club Formed to Remind Absent-Minded Spouses

St. Louis, Mar. 5.

A mild rush by absent-minded husbands to enroll in the Optimist Club is expected since announcement of the advance reminding system for wedding anniversaries.

It's a "wife saver" plan, according to Edgar Walsh, secretary. He explained that under the system "a warning of impending anniversary will be mailed to each member three days in advance, in a plain envelope marked 'personal.'"

Mrs. Walsh huffs at the idea.

600 Indian Troops For Coronation

Following the precedent set at the Coronations of Edward VII. and George V., the Indian Coronation contingent of native troops will be encamped at Home Park, in the grounds of Hampton Court Palace, and close to the Palace itself.

Every effort is being made by the India Office to ensure the comfort of the men, and when they arrive early in May they will find the camping ground allotted to them transformed into a "Little India."

The composition of the contingent has been decided upon. There will be 600 officers and men from India and 30 from Burma. They will assemble in camp at Poona on April 9, embark at Bombay in the transport Neuralia, and are due to arrive at Southampton on May 4.

They will remain in this country for three weeks and leave for home on May 25.

BRITISH OFFICERS

A certain number of British officers will be included, but the majority are Indians, mainly Hindus, Mohammedans and Sikhs, the three largest divisions.

Special attention has to be given to the fact that they are men of different religious faiths, and prefer to take their meals separately. Arrangements are accordingly being made to ensure that the common customs observed in India shall be observed with the same strictness at Hampton Court.

The entire camp will be enclosed to protect the visitors from sightseers.

British officers who will take up their quarters in the camp will be under the command of Col. C. O. Harvey, C.V.O., C.B.E., M.C., at present General Staff Officer, 1st Grade, Meerut District, who is expected to arrive in London at the end of March. Col. Harvey was Assistant Military Secretary to the Prince of Wales during his Indian tour, and Military Secretary to the Viceroy from 1926 to 1931.

BAIRD STILL HAS VISION OF RICHES

By A London Reporter

London, Feb. 25.

LONG-HAIRED John Logie Baird, porridge-bred Scots "father" of British television, was laughing last night instead of being heartbroken.

He had just attended the emergency board meeting of the Baird Television Company, called to discuss one more crisis in his life—the B.B.C.'s dropping of his system in favour of his rivals, Marconi—E.M.I.

"They've always thought I was crazy," he said.

"They thought I was crazy when I called at the *Daily Express* office fourteen years ago, with a brown paper parcel under my arm, and said I could see by wireless.

The Baird who called at the *Daily Express* office in 1923 wore frayed, baggy trousers, was half-starved. Yesterday he said: "I still hope to die rich."

Not Perturbed

"We decided at the meeting to-day," he told me, "that we are not downhearted, distressed, or much perturbed. It will make very little difference to my getting rich.

"The money now is in receiving sets.

"I have had enough poverty to last me the rest of my life. If I get rich I shall have a steam yacht, and shall sail about making television experiments.

"For five years, when I began my experiments, I had no amusements, nothing but work. I was ill, lived on 30s. a week.

"In 1925 I succeeded in throwing the first perfect image—the head of a dummy—on a screen.

"I rushed downstairs, found William Tainton, an office boy, and had to bribe him with half a crown to be the first human to be televised.

"I'm not rich yet, but I am going to perfect that receiving set, and when everybody has one I ought to be rich.

"But you never know. People might be foolish enough to buy somebody else's sets. . . . And then I might die in an attic."

CATHOLICS' CHINA "DRIVE"

Vatican City, Mar. 1.

There are now 3,000,000 Roman Catholics in China, according to a census compiled here. Several Chinese bishops have been created during the past few years.—*United Press.*

Mary Pickford Well After An Operation

Hollywood, Mar. 1.

Miss Mary Pickford, who was operated on for gallstones last Tuesday, is stated to be very well. She will be two weeks in hospital.

Miss Pickford is forty-three. Her engagement to Mr. Charles ("Buddy") Rogers, thirty-three-year-old film star, was announced last November. It is rumoured that they intend to be married in England next month.—*Reuter.*

Police "Monograms" On Bullets

TO ASSURE CREDIT TO OFFICERS WHO KILL U.S. BANDITS!

Santa Barbara, Feb. 23.

Bank bandits, burglars, stick-up men and other malefactors who in the future may have fatal gunplay contact with Santa Barbara police may die assured that there will be no dispute over who shot them.

There will be no possibility of their being recorded as suicides if in truth they have not turned their own weapons on themselves.

In the future every trigger pulled by Channel City detectives or patrolmen will throw a monogrammed bullet and the monogram thereon will be found registered at headquarters in City Hall.

Recently Harry Butler, a resident of Santa Barbara, was killed outside a Pasadena bank when he tried to shoot it out with officers. An autopsy surgeon ruled that he died a suicide, only to have a coroner's jury return a verdict that a bullet from a police gun killed him.

Police Chief Garrity has now completed an identifying census of every gun in the department. Shots were fired into a barrel stuffed with cotton and old clothes. Each bullet bore a slightly different marking, as did the firing pin and the cartridge.

All these differences were recorded and the fired bullets filed for references. With these records any bullet recovered from the body of a bandit can be readily identified and due credit given.

Italy to Establish Airway's Over South Atlantic

Rome, Mar. 1.

Italy plans soon to establish a high-speed air service to Buenos Aires in competition with French and German lines already operating, aviation circles learned to-day. The Italian planes, it was stated, were expected to be faster than the French or German ships. They will have a speed of 280 miles an hour and were expected to reduce over-water flying time to six hours.

They will make the trip via Rio de Oro, the Cape Verde Islands, Natal and Rio de Janeiro in less than three days, aviation informants asserted.

RADIO BROADCAST

Studio Recital by Dina Notargiacomo

ROTARY CLUB SPEECH

Radio Programme Broadcast by Z.B.W. on Wavelengths of 355 metres (845 k.c's), 31.49 metres (9.52 m.c's).

12.30-2.10 p.m. European Programme.

12.30 p.m. Variety and Dance Music.

1 p.m. Local: Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.30 p.m. The Regimental Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards.

1.25 p.m. *Reuter* Press, Rugby Press; Local: Weather Forecast, Time and Announcements.

1.40 p.m. A Relay of the Rotary Club Tiffin Speech from the Roof-Garden of the Hongkong Hotel.

Dr. L. Fabel, of Changsha, on "The Economic Development of Hunan and its Importance to Hongkong."

2.10 p.m. Close Down.

4-7 p.m. Chinese Programme.

7-11.05 p.m. European Programme.

7 p.m. Marek Weber and His Orchestra.

Spring Song (Mendelssohn); Coeur Brise (Gillet); At the Tchaikovsky Fountain - Fantasia (Urbach); "Manon"—Fantasia (Massenet, arr. Tavan); The Music Comes (C. Straus); Song of Paradise (King).

7.30 p.m. Closing local Stock Quotations and Hongkong Exchange Market Report.

7.35 p.m. From the Studio.

A Recital for Two Pianos by H. L. Ozorio and Pomping Vila (With Vocal Refrain).

1. Double Pianos—Shine. 2. Vocal—When did you leave Heaven? 3. Double Pianos—Tormented. 4. Vocal—The way you look to-night. 5. Double Pianos—Organ Grinder's Swing. 6. Vocal—Miracles sometimes happen. 7. Double Pianos—Selection.

8 p.m. Local: Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 The London Piano-Accordeon Band.

Diddle-Dum-Dee. Hawaiian Paradise. Dream Time. Back in those old Kentucky days.

8.15 p.m. From the Studio.

A Light Saxophone Recital by L. Palapo.

Concerto in E Minor by Jascha Gurewich.

1. Maestoso; 2. Andante sostenuto; 3. Presto.

8.30 German Music.

Choral and Orchestral—"Tannhauser" (Wagner)—Procession of the Guests to Wartburg....State Opera Chorus and Orchestra.

Baritone Solos—Die Ehre Gottes Aus Der Natur (Beethoven); Die Beiden Grenadiere (Heine & Schumann)....Gerhard Husch.

Contralto Solos—The Young Nun (Creigher & Schubert); The Trout (Schubert & Schubert); Hedge-Roses (Goethe & Schubert).

Songs — Moritat, Kanonensong (Kurt Weill and B. Brecht).....Harold Paulsen.

8.55 p.m. London—News and Announcements.

9.15 From the Studio.

Dina Notargiacomo (Dramatic Soprano).

"La Gioconda" (Ponchielli)—Suicidio. "La Tosca" (Puccini)—Visi d'Arte. Serenata (Mascagni).

9.30 New Gramophone Records.

Concerto No. 1 for Harpsichord and Orchestra (Mozart), played by Mme. Marguerite Roesgen-Champion and Orchestra Symphonique (of Paris).

Part 1.—Allegro.
Part 2.—Andante.
Part 3.—Rondo.

The Lotus Flower (Schumann).

A Dream (Grieg)....Beniamino Gigli (Tenor).

Overture "Portsmouth Point" (Walton)....B.B.C. Symphony Orchestra.

The Lover and the Nightingale (Granados)....Eileen Joyce (pianoforte).

10 p.m. London—Big Ben. "World Affairs." A talk by H. Wickham Steed.

10.20 London—"Hall Marks." today you will hear the first performance given by Henry Hall and his band on entering their sixth year with the B.B.C. Henry Hall will talk to you and introduce the various artists you have often heard performing with his band.

11.05 p.m. Close Down.

DAVENTRY PROGRAMMES

The following wave-lengths and frequencies are used by Daventry.

Stn	Frequency	Wavelength
GSA	6,500 k.c.	46.59 metres
GSB	9,510 k.c.	31.55 metres
GSC	9,585 k.c.	31.30 metres
GSD	11,760 k.c.	25.53 metres
GSE	11,865 k.c.	25.28 metres
GSF	15,140 k.c.	19.82 metres
GSG	17,790 k.c.	16.86 metres
GSH	21,470 k.c.	13.97 metres
GSI	15,260 k.c.	19.66 metres
GSJ	21,540 k.c.	19.66 metres
GSL	6,110 k.c.	49.10 metres
GSO	15,180 k.c.	19.76 metres
GSP	15,310 k.c.	19.60 metres

Transmission 1

(G.S.D., G.S.O., G.S.G.)

4 p.m. Big Ben. Students' Songs.
4.30 p.m. Talk: 'I Was There.'
4.45 p.m. Variety.
5.10 p.m. A Commentary on a Boxing Match.
5.40 p.m. The News and Announcements.
Greenwich Time Signal at 5.45 p.m.

Transmission 2

(G.S.B., G.S.G., G.S.H.)

7 p.m. Big Ben. 'The River Tweed.'
7.50 p.m. The B.B.C. Empire Orchestra.
8.50 p.m. Musical Interlude.
8.55 p.m. The News and Announcements.
Greenwich Time Signal at 9.15 p.m.
9.15 p.m. Reginald Dixon (Cinema Organ).
9.27 p.m. 'Boat Building.'

Transmission 3

(G.S.B., G.S.F., G.S.H.)

10 p.m. Big Ben. 'World Affairs.' A talk by H. Wickham Steed.
10.20 p.m. 'Hall Marks.'
11.5 p.m. The Torquay Municipal Orchestra.
12 a.m. A Commentary on a Boxing Match.
12.40 a.m. The News and Announcements.
Greenwich Time Signal at 12.45 a.m.
12.50 a.m. Dance Music.

H. D. RUMJAHN EXTENDED IN THE SECOND SET

GOOD DISPLAY BY LUK

Yesterday's Tennis

CRAWFORD WINS

(By "Veritas")

H. D. Rumjahn yesterday fulfilled general expectations by beating Luk Chun-cheung in straight sets in the first round of the Colony singles tennis championship. Yet in the second set he was made to sit up and take notice, being led 4-3 on his own service and held to 7-5 before he clinched the issue.

Luk, after a shaky opening, settled down to play steady tennis and positively thrived on the long rallies which featured the second stanza. His backhand—a sliced drive—functioned in excellent manner and he was dangerous on this wing. Rumjahn usually caught him though, when he changed his direction suddenly and sent across a fast angled drive to the forehand corner.

Luk was rather sorely "winded" toward the end of the match and it is pretty certain that he could not have stuck it out for three sets. Nevertheless he was a game loser and when Rumjahn led 6-5 in the second set, actually saved seven match points before crying best to a perfect cross-court backhand drive, the pace of which completely defeated the Chinese.

Rumjahn played well within himself, though he did not enjoy complete control over his strokes. But he made winners with his customary skill and played well enough to suggest that he will survive a few rounds.

OUT OF PRACTICE

G. C. Burnett, very much out of practice, was no match for A. Crawford, another K.C.C. competitor and lost 0-6, 2-6. Crawford contented himself with driving easily and accurately on both wings, while Burnett provided the errors. It was not a real test for Crawford, who won as he liked.

Quite a large-sized "gallery" gathered round the No. 5 court to watch the veterans, Ng Sze-kwong and L. F. Hon engage H. T. Bee and H. Y. Hsu in the men's doubles.

Ng and Hon played immaculate tennis to win comfortably in two sets. Their understanding was admirable and they brought into effective use their vast experience of the doubles game. Chiefly they relied on placements and these were usually so accurate that they scored outright.

Yesterday's championship results were:

OPEN SINGLES

A. Crawford beat G. C. Burnett 6-0, 6-2

Captain Coppinger beat S. C. Chiu 6-0, 6-1

H. D. Rumjahn beat Luk Chun-cheung 6-1, 7-5

OPEN DOUBLES

Ng Sze-kwong and L. F. Hon beat H. T. Bee and H. Y. Hsu 6-1, 6-4.

Top picture shows Jack Doyle sent to the floor early on in his fight with Harry Staal. The other picture illustrates Doyle being acclaimed winner after the Irishman had taken a lot of punishment.

DOYLE STARTS COMEBACK

Wins After A Very Shaky Opening

(By Geoffrey Simpson)

Jack Doyle, shaken but triumphant after many perilous escapes, finished a sixth-round winner of his fight with blond Harry Staal, the German-Dutch heavy-weight, at the Earl's Court arena last month.

It was a battle as sensational as any Doyle has had in his dramatic career, and he was caught so many times by right-hand swings as wild as March winds that it can no longer be doubted that this giant Irishman, for all his strength and hitting power, is still a pugilistic baby.

The struggle closed with a towel being tossed in from Staal's corner.

By that time the Dutch champion, a man of colossal courage and an amazing capacity for taking punishment, was as a reed before a storm.

He was bending before Doyle's blows, and could scarcely stand. His left ear was in a sorry state, and he had no resistance left.

WOMEN CHEER "JACK"

As the towel came in the bulk of 10,200 people who had packed into the building yelled their heads off for Doyle. Women stood on chairs shouting "Good old Jack!"

Men struggled to reach his corner. They could not have made more fuss than if he had won the championship of the world.

Staal must have the strength of a bull to stand up to such pile-driving blows as Doyle shot over, but his boxing knowledge was even poorer than the Irishman's.

WINDMILL BLOWS

Staal's arms swung round and round much like the windmills in his own country. You could see his right coming from any distance, but, crude as the punch was, it caught Doyle—and continued to catch him.

Doyle started off prodding away with his left as though he meant to show people how well he could box. Staal then started to swing, and in about a minute a right thumped on to the Doyle chin and over he went. A count of seven. Staal's "cauliflower" ear started to

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Sellers Favours 5-day Tests

A. B. Sellers, captain of Yorkshire, says that he was in favour of five-day Tests in England and thought they would soon be seen in this country. "Ordinary cricket to-day," he said, "is much too slow. A bowler can shut up the game any time he likes providing he is backed up by ten good fieldsmen."

CHEAPER CRICKET IN KENT

County Club's Proposals

Sixpenny cricket is the aim of Kent, who have decided to make substantial reductions in admission charges next season.

The object of the county is to encourage interest in the game and revive its pre-war popularity, when sixpenny cricket attracted big crowds.

On grounds where a single match is played the admission will be 1s., but reduced to 6d. after four o'clock.

In recent years Kent charges at the gate have been 1s. 6d. and 2s. Last season many matches were ruined by rain.

The club lost £1,649 last season, as against £201 in 1935, but as 1936 was one of the wettest summers on record Kent are not pessimistic.

MIGHT HAVE BEEN WORSE

"We were perhaps lucky not to have suffered more severely," it is stated in the official report.

R. T. Bryan and B. H. Valentine will share the duties of captain next season, as A. P. F. Chapman has resigned. Bryan will lead the side till August and then Valentine will take over.

Tribute is paid in the report to Chapman's services, and regret is expressed at the termination of Freeman's engagement after "he has borne the brunt of the bowling for so long."

Six members of the committee retire by rotation and their places will be filled by Lord Cornwallis, Sir Henry Streatfeild, Major A. F. Leach-Lewis, Lt.-Col. A. O'B. ffrench Blake, Mr. A. P. F. Chapman, and Mr. W. Findlay, the former secretary of M.C.C.

Classes for a limited number of boys will be held at Canterbury for a fortnight beginning Monday, April 12, and during the same period at Tonbridge, where Ashdown and Povey will be the coaches, under the control of the Tonbridge Cricket Club.

Colony Badminton Championships

CARVALHO ILL: UNABLE TO PLAY

ONE MATCH FOR THIS EVENING

(By "Veritas")

L. A. Carvalho, the Recreio badminton player, is ill with malaria and cannot play to-night in the semi-final of the mixed doubles badminton championships of the Colony. He will also be unable to play to-morrow night in the quarter-finals of the men's doubles.

It is hoped that he will be fit to play off these two games next week, and a postponement is being granted with this intention. If he has not recovered sufficiently by next week, he will concede walk-overs in both events.

There is therefore only one mixed doubles championship match at King's College this evening. M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva play S. A. Gray and Miss A. Mackenzie. Oliveira and Miss Silva are favoured to win, but the match may go the full distance.

To-morrow the quarter-finals in the men's doubles will be played off, though only three of the four matches will be staged in view of Carvalho's illness. The programme, with King's College as the venue, follows.

F. H. Kwok and S. W. Liang (C.R.C.) v. P. K. Hui and T. C. Lee (University).

K. S. Liew and K. L. Yong (University) v. H. A. Alves and E. de Sousa (Recreio).

T. J. Ong and F. Koh (Chinese Y.M.C.A.) v. M. A. Oliveira and J. J. Remedios.

RECREIO "B" GET WALK-OVER IN MIXED DOUBLES

Recreio "B" displace Free Lances for second place in the mixed doubles badminton league as a result of receiving a walk-over from University. Recreio have one more match to play, and either they or Chinese Recreation Club will finish as runners-up. The amended league table reads:

LEAGUE TABLE

	P.	W.	L.	M.	A.	Pts.
Recreio "A"	10	10	0	77	13	20
Free Lances	12	6	6	62	43	12
Recreio "B"	11	7	4	40	50	14
C.R.C.	8	5	3	43	29	10
University	9	3	6	37	35	6
Kowloon Tong	9	2	7	23	67	4
St. John's	11	2	9	23	77	3

LEAGUE BADMINTON

RECREIO B BEAT THE VARSITY

FREE LANCES' TEAM OF 4

There was a restricted programme of league badminton matches last evening. The important return game between University "A" and Recreio "A" was postponed and will be played off on Friday of this week.

Recreio's chances may be seriously jeopardised as L. A. Carvalho is ill with malaria and is unlikely to be available.

Free Lances turned up with only four players for last night's "A" Division match against Chinese Y.M.C.A. and were beaten 7-2, having to concede three of the games.

E. L. H. Shute and his son Warwick played well to win two games and to take their opponents to 15 in the third.

Recreio "B", hosts to University "B" won an interesting match by six games to three, the full scores being:

H. A. Barros and A. E. Xavier (Recreio "B"):—beat D. Kwok and S. C. Tai 21-8; beat S. K. Hui and C. K. Lee 21-19; beat T. F. Yong and H. C. Goh 21-8.

N. A. Beltrao and E. A. E. Alves (Recreio "B"):—beat Kwok and Tai 21-15; lost to Hui and Lee 11-21; beat Yong and Goh 21-19.

H. A. Noronha and C. C. Pereira (Recreio "B"):—lost to Kwok and Tai 9-21; beat Hui and Lee 21-8; lost to Yong and Goh 15-21.

"B" DIVISION

St. Andrew's "B" Defeated

In the "B" Division, St. Andrew's "B" received Victoria Recreation Club and lost by six games to three. Scores.

F. A. Madar and J. P. Dawson (St. Andrew's "B") lost to S. A. Rumjahn and C. N. da Silva 3-21; beat A. J. Basto and A. O. Barretto 24-21; lost to M. M. de V. Soares and C. A. Gaan 17-21.

W. Knox and H. R. Darby (St. Andrew's "B"):—lost to Rumjahn and Silva 11-21; lost to Basto and Barretto 3-21; lost to Soares and Gaan 0-21.

M. Weill and G. White (St. Andrew's "B"):—lost to Rumjahn and Silva 15-21; beat Basto and Barretto 21-18; beat Soares and Gaan 21-10.

LEAGUE TABLE

"A" Division

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Recreio "A"	11	10	0	1	78	21	20
University "A"	10	10	0	0	54	9	20
C.R.C.	13	6	0	7	47	61	12
Recreio "B"	11	7	0	4	41	46	14
Chinese Y.M.C.A.	8	5	0	3	45	27	10
University "B"	11	3	0	8	32	57	6
St. Andrew's "A"	13	3	0	10	45	75	6
Free Lances	13	1	0	12	27	72	2

LEAGUE TABLE

	P.	W.	L.	M.	A.	Pts.
King's College	11	10	0	1	77	13	20
Kowloon Tong "A"	12	9	0	3	69	39	18
St. John's	11	8	0	3	61	38	16
V.R.C.	10	7	0	3	58	32	14
S. & S. Home	11	2	0	9	16	74	4
St. Andrew's "B"	9	1	0	8	27	54	2
Kowloon Tong "B"	11	1	0	10	24	75	2

(Chinese Y.M.C.A. having been transferred to the "A" Division, their record has been expunged).

New Zealand Cricket Team For England

Wellington.

Before leaving for their tour of England this summer, the New Zealand cricket team probably will play a match against the M.C.C. side at present in Australia. The match would be played at Wellington.

Fourteen players will make the trip to England. Eight players so far have been selected. M. L. Page (Canterbury), J. L. Kerr (Canterbury), A. W. Roberts (Canterbury), D. A. R. Moloney (Manawatu), W. Carson (Auckland), H. G. Vivian (Auckland), and M. W. Wallace (Auckland).

LOCAL GOLF RESULTS

A.D. Humphreys Qualifies In Adamson Cup

A. D. Humphreys, with a score of 80-9=71, qualified in the March qualifying round of the Adamson Cup played at Happy Valley, March 5-14. There were ten entries.

The Bogey (Par) Pool played on the Old Course at Fanling, March 13-14, was won by A. E. Lissaman (3) with a score of four up.

Other scores were G. S. Chambers (20), three up; G. C. Worrall (10), one up; and W. J. S. Key (9) all square. There were 25 entries.

INDIA'S LEADING TENNIS PLAYERS MAY EXHIBIT IN HONGKONG

(By "Veritas")

HONGKONG will probably have the opportunity of seeing India's leading tennis players in action sometime in May as it is reported that the proposal of the Indian Tennis Improvement Association to send a team to tour Japan has been approved by the Japan Lawn Tennis Association.

The team will comprise five players and will include India's No. 1 and No. 3 ranking players, as well as the 1936 junior champion. The following team is announced.

S. L. R. SOHNY

Winner of the Punjab tournament in 1935 and ranked No. 1 in the All-India standings

G. MOHAMMED

Winner of the United Provinces tourney last year and India's No. 3 player

Y. SINGH

Winner of the Bengal hard-court tournament in 1934

K. SEN

Winner of the All-India junior championship in 1935

MISS WOODCOCK

No. 4 in the All-India women's rankings.

The Hongkong L. T. A. should be given a good chance of arranging for the appearance of these notable players in exhibitions on their way through the Colony. In fact the Association would be well advised to communicate with the Indian Tennis Improvement Association with a view to completing such arrangements.

Sunderland's Big Cup-Tie Win

London, March 15.

Meeting for the third time of asking in the sixth round of the English Cup to-day, Sunderland and Wolves succeeded in reaching a decision. Sunderland won handsomely by four goals to nil, the match being played on the Sheffield Wednesday ground.—*Reuter.*

VINES LAUDS YOUNG JAPANESE TENNIS STAR AFTER GAME

Los Angeles.

Japan definitely will become a Davis Cup threat next year, according to Ellsworth Vines who, along with Bill Tilden, recently completed a playing tour of that country.

The great professional netter, in a letter to friends back home, praised the ability of Jiro Yamagishi, Nippon singles star.

"Yamagishi is the best over here by far," Vines wrote. "Don't be surprised if he ranks well within the world's first 10 next year. His style is reminiscent of Bunny Austin's, and is almost flawless. He'll be a real threat in Davis Cup play next season."

(Vines, together with Big Bill Tilden, played in Hongkong last year.).

HOMESIDE RACING SENSATION

SUSPENSION OF JOCKEY

London, Mar 15.

The Lincoln flat-racing season, which is expected to be a record one, opened sensationally in sunny and chilly weather after a slight snowfall to-day.

The first sensation was the disqualification of Parkin, the winner of the Canwick Maiden Plate, by the Stewards themselves. The decision was made following a fall by two horses.

They also suspended Sammy Wragg the winning jockey for the remainder of the meeting so that he cannot ride the quietly fancied Bonc in the Lincolnshire.

Boldness, the winner of the Brocklesby Trial Handicap paid a dividend of 166 to 1 to win on the totalisator.

The Daily Double yielded a return of £310 for an outlay of ten shillings.

Ephraim Smith, Edgehill's jockey in the Lincolnshire scored a hat-trick to-day which Gordon Richards drew blank.

Everything is in readiness for the big race on Wednesday, which the betting shows is as open as usual. The going is excellent though heavy. —*Reuter.*

The following have been selected to represent the Club against the Club de Recreio on Wednesday at 5.1-p.m. at King's Park:

J. Benwell; E. V. Reed, G. Sommer; J. Potter, W. Reed, R. A. Bates; H. Starbuck, S. Fowler, G. E. R. Divett, B. Bickford, V. Bond.

SOCCER'S POPULARITY IN FRANCE

CUP-TIE FEVER

Since the introduction of professionalism in France within the last few years, football grounds have rapidly grown too small for the crowd, especially on cup-tie days.

The French Cup competition is organised on the same lines as the English competition, from which it was copied. Now at every cup tie hundreds of spectators have to be turned away and at the recent match between Rouen and Lille, played on the ground of the Park des Princes, Paris, police had to hold hands to keep the crowd in line at the ticket offices.

Professional football in France is international, for whereas in England we have players playing for Sunderland who were never natives of Sunderland, or Arsenal players who come from everywhere except London, in many French professional football teams there are players who not only do not come from towns for which they play but come from foreign countries and often can hardly speak French.

According to the rules of the governing football body in France no professional team can play more than three foreigners in the same game. One of the best-known Paris teams, the Racing Club de Paris, has in its team an Englishman, an Austrian and a South American.

TREMENDOUS DEVELOPMENT

People in England have little idea of the tremendous development in France in the domain of sports. In Paris, or rather of the outskirts, one can see two football grounds next to each other where the public crowd round the ticket offices. These two grounds are close to the Port d' Auteuil, on the edge of the Bois de Boulogne, and if a visitor climbed to the roof of a nearby building he would be surprised to see no fewer than five football grounds adjoining, to say nothing of running tracks, basket ball pitches, and tennis courts. The principal of these athletic parks is the Park des Princes, the home of the Racing Club de Paris, where the football field is surrounded by a cycle track. This club has one of the handsomest grounds, with magnificent stands, underground dressing rooms, etc. Incidentally, it is on this ground, than less important, that the first international association football match was played in France in 1905, when a French team was defeated by a Swiss team before only 2,000 spectators, most of whom had come to see a rugby match. When a few weeks ago France played Austria on this same ground, thousands had to be turned away before the match began, and the gate receipts totalled £5,300.

Shanghai Badminton Championship

LATEST RESULTS

The following are the full results of games played in the Shanghai Badminton Association series.—

MEN'S SINGLES

1st Round:—Leong Hong Teck won from Stokes 14-18, 15-10, 15-9, Spagnoletti won from Choong Tung Ling 15-7, 16-17, 15-9; de Senna won from Challan 15-2, 15-4.

MEN'S DOUBLES

1st. Round:—Eardley and Kew won from Ginsburg and Challan 15-5, 15-10; Squires and Sullivan won from Leong and Choong 15-10, 10-15, 17-15; de Senna and Silva walk over from White and White; Stokes and Wade won from Chelmis and Chelmis 10-15, 18-15, 15-11.

2nd Round:—Meise and Berents won from C. H. Duff and Baxter 15-6, 15-7; Spagnoletti and Duff won from Wilson and Forbes 15-1, 18-15; de Senna and Silva won from Stokes and Wade 15-12, 15-10.

LADIES SINGLES

1st Round:—Miss Eardley won from Mrs. Alfes 15-7, 15-6; Mrs. Stokes won from Mrs. Maitland 11-5, 12-10; Mme. des Courtils won from Miss Sinclair 12-13, 11-9, 11-6; Miss Tavares won from Mrs. Morcher 11-5, 11-2.

LADIES DOUBLES

1st. Round:—Mrs. Alfes and Mrs. White won from Mrs. Morcher and Miss Tavares 15-9, 14-17, 15-12.

MIXED DOUBLES

Miss Seaborn and Eardley won from Mrs. Stokes and Barents; Miss Eardley and Spagnoletti won from Mrs. Clark and Chelmis 15-8, 15-6; Mrs. Burton and Meise won from Mrs. Morcher and Forbes 15-3, 15-7; Miss Sinclair and Kew won from Mrs. Remedios and de Senna 15-9, 15-7.

INTERNATIONAL MEN'S DOUBLES

Portugal represented by de Senna and Silva won from France with Meise and Challan in the semi-final 15-7, 15-9; England represented by Spagnoletti and Wade meets Australia with Eardley and Kew in the other semi final.

The final of this event, which is being held for the first time, will be played off together with the finals of the other championships on Tuesday and Wednesday 23rd and 24th March at the Country Club at 5.30 p.m.

DOYLE STARTS COMEBACK

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bleed in Round 2, and it troubled him greatly afterwards. He was always trying to reserve one glove to protect it, and thus left himself open to punishment.

Defensively Staal was as wide open as a farmyard gate, and Doyle had no difficulty in scoring with left jabs.

Really, Doyle must learn how to stop a right hand if he is to reach the top. He would have had a sorry time against a more knowledgeable fighter.

Apart from his gameness and his ability to absorb heavy blows, Staal has little to recommend him, but he staggered Doyle more times than any other boxer has done in England. What I liked about Doyle was the way he pegged away, trying to drop his man, though so repeatedly discouraged.

£8,000 GATE

He almost tired himself out raining punches on his rival, but not until the fifth round did he succeed in bringing Staal down.

Even then Staal only fell on to one knee for a second or two.

Said Doyle afterwards: "That fellow Staal must be made of granite. I hit him a hundred times and he stayed upright."

Doyle's manager said, "Jack kept his head this time; that's the great thing," and Mr. John Harding, the N.S.C. manager, was pleased too. He had to turn hundreds away, yet took an £8,000 gate. Doyle gets £1,200 of it and Staal £260.

SPEEDING UP GOLF POPOSALS

GOLFUNION'S SUGGESTION

We have been hearing a great deal lately about speeding up golf. Cyril Tolley set the ball rolling with his suggestion that a limit should be put on the time allowed for the playing of each shot. But it has been left to the English Golf Union to come forward with a concrete suggestion for speeding up play in a championship.

They are to try out a scheme in which, instead of two players going off together for a medal round three will be drawn and play together.

A TRIAL IN DEVON

The move is to be given a trial at the English county championship, to be played over the links of the Saunton Club, in Devon, on the Saturday preceding the English close championship, which starts on April 26.

At least 20 counties will be represented each by four players. As each player has to play 36 holes in one day it stands to reason that the English Golf Union are making a good move in looking for a method of speeding up the play.

WHERE DELAYS MIGHT OCCUR

It is as well to remember, however, that by increasing the number of players going out together there are more opportunities for delays and complications to occur. Those important rules regarding a ball striking another player's ball on the putting green, for which the penalty is two strokes, will have to be more carefully watched. And the great danger of playing a wrong ball is also increased. Fortunately, most players in a championship take special precautions to know their own ball. I always mark mine with a small cross, which is easily made with the thumb nail and cannot be obliterated says a London correspondent.

GET ON WITH THE PUTTING

There might also be some delay when players are putting. With three players there is bound to be a lot more lifting of the ball on the green to give others a clear line to the hole. I think the E.G.U. might go a step farther in their move to speed up the game and suggest that players who have putted dead should go on and hole out without waiting for players farther from the hole to putt up. Then there would be less necessity for lifting and replacing balls, which always wastes a certain amount of time.

HOME RACING

Early School Scratched From Derby

London, March 15.

Lord Astor's much-favoured entry for the Derby Early School, was scratched at 9 a.m. to-day.

Lord Astor is still represented by Pot-Boiler and Cashbook, but Early School's leg trouble seems once again to prevent Lord Astor and Gordon Richards from winning for the first time this much coveted event.—*Reuter.*

LATEST BETTING

PRICES FOR GRAND NATIONAL FOR LINCOLNSHIRE

London, March 15.

The following is the latest callover for the Grand National:

Golden Miller, 9 to 1, t and o.
Royal Mail, 100 to 9, t and o.
Ego, 100 to 9 0, 100 to 8 t.
Didoric, 100 to 7 o, 15 to 1 t.
Puckabelle, 100 to 7 o, 15 to 1 t.
De La Chance, 100 to 6, t and o.
Bon Bradman, 18 to 1 o, 20 to 1 t.
Misdemeanour, 25 to 1, t and o.
Peneraik, 25 to 1 o, 28 to 1 t.
De Le Neige, 25 to 1 o, 28 to 1 t.
Ready Cash, 33 to 1, t and o.

Ready Cash's trainer says that his leg is improving and the decision whether to run will be made probably on Wednesday.

Rimmell rides De La Chance, and Danny Morgan rides Golden Miller.

THE LINCOLNSHIRE

Montesano, 21 to 2, t and o.
Takemy, 21 to 2, to and o.
Laureat, 18 to 1, t and o.
Nipaway, 18 to 1, t and o.
Edgehill, 20 to 1, t and o.
Inchkeith, 20 to 1 o, 22 to 1 t.
Scotch Trout, 25 to 1, t and o.
Pricket, 25 to 1, t and o.
Straight Deal, 25 to 1, t and o.
Marmaduke Jinks, 25 to 1 o, 28 to 1 t.
Voltus, 25 to 1 o, 28 to 1 t.
Juldo, 28 to 1, t and o.
Zelmos, 28 to 1 o, 33 to 1 t.
Boston West, 28 to 1 o, 33 to 1 t.
Lost Scent, 33 to 1, t and o.
Fairplay, 33 to 1, t and o.
Overcoat, 33 to 1, t and o.
Liscloon, 40 to 1 o, 45 to 1 t.

Ormenus is to be scratched.—*Reuter.*

FOOTBALL LEAGUE

On account of the combined manoeuvres, only one match will be played in the Hongkong Football League over the week-end.

On Sunday, South China "A" will meet Eastern at Caroline Hill in a First Division match commencing at 4.30 p.m.

To-day the Navy and the Club de Recreio will play off their fixture at Causeway Bay.

RIFLE ASSOCIATION

In view of the Combined Operations which are taking place during the week, there will be no mid-week spoon and practice shoots on Wednesday.

Copies of the programme of the forthcoming Prize Meeting are expected to be available on Saturday, when they will be distributed to all concerned, with the least possible delay.

Woolwich Stadium For Noted Amateurs?

A MOVE to lease Woolwich Stadium is being made by a joint committee of the Corinthians and Casuals Football Clubs, the *News Chronicle* understands.

The Stadium is a commodious ground with one of the best-kept pitches in the country and Woolwich authorities are said to be in favour of the lease.

It does not rest with the Woolwich Command, however. The stadium belongs to the War Department, where a feeling has been expressed that it would be a bad precedent to rent a military ground to a civilian club.

It is hoped, however, that this objection will be overcome.

FILLIP FOR LEAGUE BID

Should the ground be secured, which seems probable, there is little doubt that the amalgamation of the two famous amateur clubs will be ratified at the general meetings shortly to be called.

In that event, too, the new club would be in a favourable position to apply for membership of the Third Division of the Football League, a move long desired by responsible members of the Corinthians' committee.

Woolwich Stadium was originally intended for the big Inter-Services and triangular tournament games, and athletic meetings; a military tattoo has also been held there.

But Army football has failed to prove a draw in the district, and nowadays the big Services games are played at Selhurst.

SUGGESTIONS TO BRIGHTEN UP COUNTY CRICKET

When a man like Mr. P. F. Warner, Test player of the past and Test selector of the present advocates a curtailment of county cricket matches and a substitution of more representative games such as "Over 30 v. Under 30," people are bound to take notice.

It may interest Mr. Warner to know that many support him in his view that additional representative games, spread over the country grounds, will bring back the crowds to cricket.

One reader suggests that Mr. Warner should increase his list of matches—by arranging one-between-right-handed cricketers and left-handers.

Among those who stand the "wrong way round" are Creese, Fishlock, Howorth Jas. Langridge, Leyland, Mead, Nichols, Paynter, Perks, Pothecary, D. Smith, Todd, Wade, and Woolley.

There are plenty of others, and it would be easy to pick a good team.

Another reader says that if more clubs are to avoid the plight into which Leicestershire have fallen, cricket must be speeded up—and the way to do it is by putting professionals on the bonus system, as in football.

"The pace of present-day cricket is regulated by the professional batsman, who must, for his own sake, keep one eye on the averages if he is to make his living," he states.

"A £2 bonus on top of wages for a win would surely encourage players to try to force a win instead of playing for a draw, as they so often do."

Other readers insist that there is no need for reform at all; that there is nothing wrong with cricket, and that the game only needs to be left alone.

The answer to them is that the condition of many county club balance-sheets shows that county cricket is being left alone.

What Has Happened To Australian Barracking?

(By William Pollock)

Adelaide.

Douglas Jardine's statement that Australia has lost the "dignity" of cricket because of barracking defeats me. One of the surprises of this tour is that there wasn't any barracking.

Noise, yes—particularly shrill, half hysterical shrieks and yells from the thousands of women in the crowds—but barracking, no.

Now and then, here and there, I have heard sarcastic remarks.

Loud-voiced gentlemen have expressed the opinion, "You'll never get 'em out" or have requested a fieldsman to get a bag, but you can hardly call these occasional cries barracking.

OUR CROWDS NOISIER

It is rather disappointing. I had the idea that Australian cricket crowds kept up a barrage of raucous rudeness, threw bottles about, and generally behaved in a manner likely to create a breach of public peace.

Something must surely have come over them. Sometimes the combined influence of hot sun and cold beer incites some slight distant disturbance.

But as for downright barracking, Sheffield, Nottingham, and even the tavern neighbourhood of Lord's can put up a show against Sydney, Melbourne, and Adelaide this trip.

Fleetwood-Smith, playing in the third Test at Melbourne, was the most barracked man of the season.

He is not exactly brilliant in the field, and the crowd did rather get at him in that matter. Which is very silly, of course, for jeering a man who has missed a catch does not help him to catch the next one that comes his way.

Cricketers are saying that this must be a record season for injuries and illness among Test players.

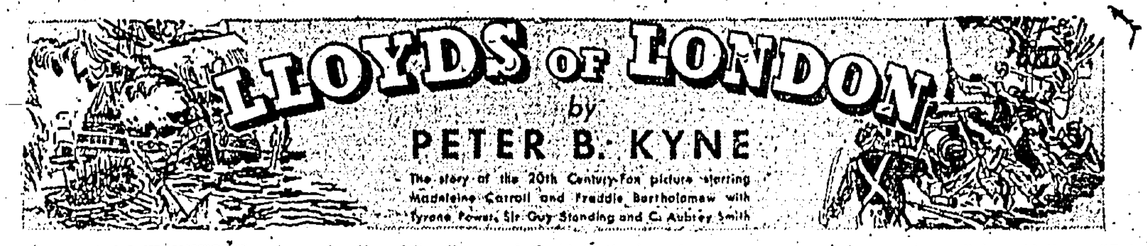
Poor Laurie Fishlock. He has never got going on Australian wickets. He has seemed as if he could not make up his mind whether to play forward or back, and his timing has been nearly all wrong.

He is our latest accident—a bone fractured in his right hand.

The list of injured players this season numbers fifteen, and includes F. Tanfe, Duckworth, R. W. V. Robins, Ames, Leyland, R. E. S. Wyatt, Copson, Voce, E. McCormick, W. Brown, S. McCabe, D. Bradman, C. L. Badcock, L. O'Brien, L. Fleetwood-Smith, K. Rigg, and Fishlock.

"TELEGRAPH'S" NEW FILM SERIAL

"Lloyd's of London" is a film which is shortly to be presented at the Queen's Theatre. To-day appears another instalment of the full story of the episodes in the life of the great corporation on which the film is based. It is a narrative of much interest in itself and is appropriately made public at a time when the presentation of the film in Hongkong is soon to be made.



WHAT HAS GONE BEFORE:

Jonathan Blake, protege of John Angerstein, underwriter at Lloyds of London, devised a trans-channel signal system for sending news from France to the insurers' London headquarters. In the troubled days under Napoleon, Jonathan goes to France as a spy, disguised in the garb of a priest. He is preparing to leave the country, fearing arrest, when, in a small inn, he witnesses the arrest of a beautiful young English woman.

Chapter Nine

IN THE look of bewilderment that the girl cast upon the smirking French Lieutenant, Jonathan Blake realized that the English girl did not speak French. Her next words proved this.

"Is there anyone here who speaks both French and English?" she addressed the crowd in the cafe.

Jonathan rose and approached the group. He bowed to the lieutenant humbly, for he realized that authority lay on this individual as plainly as a blanket on a horse, that the fellow must be soothed by becoming humility on Jonathan's part and a plain recognition of military authority. "Pardon, my captain," he murmured, purposely giving the lieutenant a raise in rank which, doubtless, would not be displeasing to the man, "but this lady has asked if there be, in this cafe, one who speaks both French and English. I have some light knowledge of the English language, acquired during my boyhood in Quebec, now, alas, ravished from our beloved country by the perfidious English. Have I your permission to inform this English lady why she has been arrested?"

"An order reached us from Paris yesterday to arrest all English citizens found on French soil, your reverence. Other than that I know nothing. It is my duty to take this one to headquarters, where, doubtless, she will be enabled to explain satisfactorily her presence in Calais. You have my permission to explain to this hell-cat. I have no desire to quarrel with her, or order my men to lay hands on her, if she will come peaceably."

"I thank you, my captain," Jonathan turned to the girl. "I speak English," he informed her gently. "You are in arrest in accordance with orders which reached the local military commander from Paris yesterday, instructing him to arrest all English subjects found in his jurisdiction. Other than that this excellent officers who has arrested you knows nothing. He has but done his duty."

The girl's sea-blue eyes flashed angrily. "Is it a crime to be English?"

"I fear," he replied sadly, "it is"

"But you're English," she countered. "I can tell by your accent."

"Madamoiselle has made a pardonable mistake. My boyhood was spent in Quebec in an English family, where I learned the language as the English pronounce it."

"Do they think I am a spy?"

"There is always that possibility. Precautions must be taken."

"Tell that impudent French officer, if you will be so kind, that I am not a spy."

"He has no authority to free you, even if he is convinced you speak the truth. My advice to you, mademoiselle, is to go with the soldiers quietly before they lose patience and lay their hands on you—an action which this officer would regret. With your permission I shall accompany the party to headquarters where, if I can be of assistance to mademoiselle as an interpreter I shall be delighted to place myself at her service."

"Thank you, I shall be happy to accept."

"What did she say?" the officer demanded, noticing, of course, that the storm had subsided.

Jonathan explained.

"It is not a bad idea for you to accompany us, reverend sir," the lieutenant agreed. "There is no one at headquarters who speaks the vile English language and the commandant will be grateful for your services, I assure you. Let us go."

He placed a hand, none too gently, under the girl's elbow and the party, followed by Jonathan, descended the stairs to the street. As they emerged a closed carriage, driven by a soldier, drew up at the curb; the lieutenant dismissed the other soldiers after handing the girl into the carriage. "Enter the carriage, father," he ordered.

As Jonathan stepped in he said to the girl, "Move over to the far side and do not be surprised at anything that happens. I am satisfied now that this officer does not understand English. I am an Englishman and I plan to save you."

He sat down, the lieutenant got in beside him, and a soldier closed the door while the carriage drove briskly away. It had proceeded but a few blocks, when the lieutenant found something cold and hard pressed against his head back of his left ear.

"It is a loaded pistol, my dear fellow," the pseudo-priest murmured, "I regret the necessity, but what can one do in time of war? You will order the driver to stop, but do not say more if you value your life."

The driver, at the officer's command, pulled up to a curb in a dark street, "Open the door," Jonathan commanded and the officer obediently complied. He stepped out when commanded to do so, his hands held high; in an instant Jonathan was at his side and brought his pistol barrel down on the officer's head; the latter subsided quietly into the gutter; with a bound Jonathan was standing on the step and delivering a similar blow to the soldier driver. When the latter collapsed Jonathan hauled him off his seat and laid him alongside the officer; then he closed the carriage door, climbed up on the seat, took the reins and urged the horses to a trot.

A mile west he drove, to a stone quay. Here he halted the carriage, soothed the horses into quietness, got down and opened the door. "You may step out, my countrywoman," he said laughingly, and handed her out. Then he turned the horses, gave them a crack of the whip and sent them back driverless the way they had come.

He took the girl's arm and guided her down the quay until they came to a bewildering array of bales and barrels. He walked along, striking matches and observing each barrel; presently, on the side of a tierce he saw, in chalk, a large X. He removed the head and spoke into the barrel:

"Alphonse."

A head and shoulders emerged. "Here, sir. I have waited here because the sight of a fisherman on a dock at midnight, where no fisherman should be at that hour, might arouse suspicion if I should be seen. There are spies everywhere. Come, I will lead monsieur to the boat I have provided for him."

"You have brought my clothing from the inn?"

"I forget nothing, sir," Alphonse replied and tossed out a large portmanteau and a heavy great coat. Once out on the quay it developed that he was the same fisherman who had sought the priest's blessing in the cafe.

Jonathan handed him a bag containing money and the man guided them down the quay to a wet and slippery stairway that led down to a sloop around thirty feet over all, bobbing gently against the side of the quay. She was an open boat, a fishing craft of rugged construction. Jonathan handed the girl in and climbed in after her, while the man Alphonse followed and hoisted jib and mainsail.

"There are blankets, sir, and plenty of food and water to last you two weeks. The wind serves two points aft the beam. I will shove off with the boat hook as soon as I get back on the landing stairs; then put your helm down hard and the sails will fill. You have charts and I have outlined the compass course. Farewell, sir, and may God protect you."

Within five minutes the sloop was ghosting out of the harbor. A line-of-battle ship lying off the entrance challenged her right to pass, by tossing a round shot across the sloop's bows, but Jonathan refused to luff up, and a broadside after broadside was fired at him. However, the sloop was rapidly lengthening the range and the shots were either short or well over, nor did she long remain visible in the dim starshine.

During the bombardment not a word had passed between Jonathan and his fair passenger; once clear of the harbor the wind blew steady and cold out of the northeast; Jonathan lashed the tiller, shed his wig, priest's hat and soutan and donned in their place a fisherman's cap and a heavy jersey.

"That stupid lieutenant forced you to leave your room without giving you opportunity even to put on a warm wrap," he said then. "Get into this great coat. It's heavy and very warm. You'll find some blankets forward, so make yourself a bed and turn in."

She came aft and he helped her into the great coat. "You have been very kind to a total stranger, sir," she murmured.

"One should lend a helping hand to a country-woman in distress. For some time I have had a suspicion that I might have to leave France in a very great hurry, and tonight, before I met you, I realized that time had arrived. I have kept this craft waiting in anticipation of my need. Each night Alphonse has waited to meet me in the cafe on the ground floor of the hotel. We had a code for communicating in the midst of a crowd. I signalled him tonight that I was in danger and about to leave, so he notified me where I would find him and the boat."

"He is a traitor to his country."

"I have discovered that the loudest patriots have their price. Miss—er—Madam—"

"You may call me Elizabeth."

"Thank you; and you may call me Jonathan. It seems each of us has a reason for remaining anonymous."

"Have you any idea what would have happened to me had you not rescued me?"

"Human life is cheap in France, Elizabeth. Failing to prove you a spy the local authorities would doubtless have handed you over to Mademoiselle Guillotine, just to be on the safe side."

"And you?"

"You observe, Elizabeth, that I am bound for Merry England and not half fast enough to suit me. That is because I have a very great yearning to live out my years. Now, then, to the blankets with you, before you catch cold. For your sake I have cracked two men on the head; for aught I know to the contrary, I may have killed them. That has been trouble enough for one night."

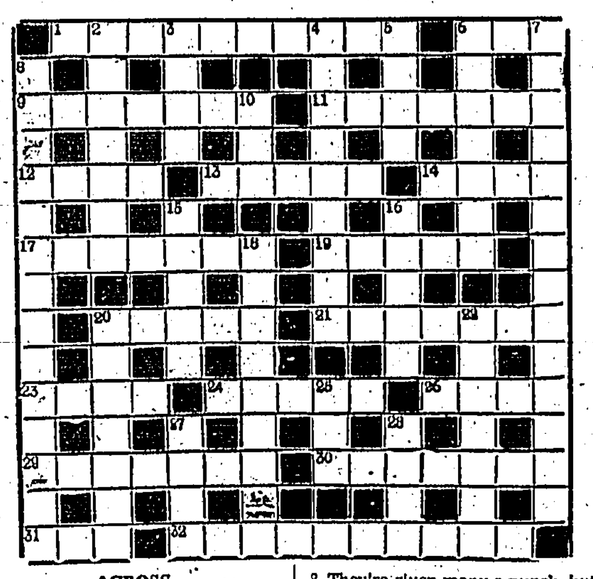
She held out her little hand "Goodnight, Jonathan. All of my life I shall owe you a debt I never can repay."

He thought as he took the tiller again, headed the sloop up on her course and thrilled as she lay over and took a bone in her teeth: "I've found her, and with God's help I shall never let her go."

(*To-be-continued*)

Jonathan rose and approached the group. He bowed humbly to the lieutenant, and offered his services as an interpreter between the latter and his pretty English captive. Jonathan explained his knowledge of French by saying he had come from French Canada.

OUR BRITISH CROSSWORDS



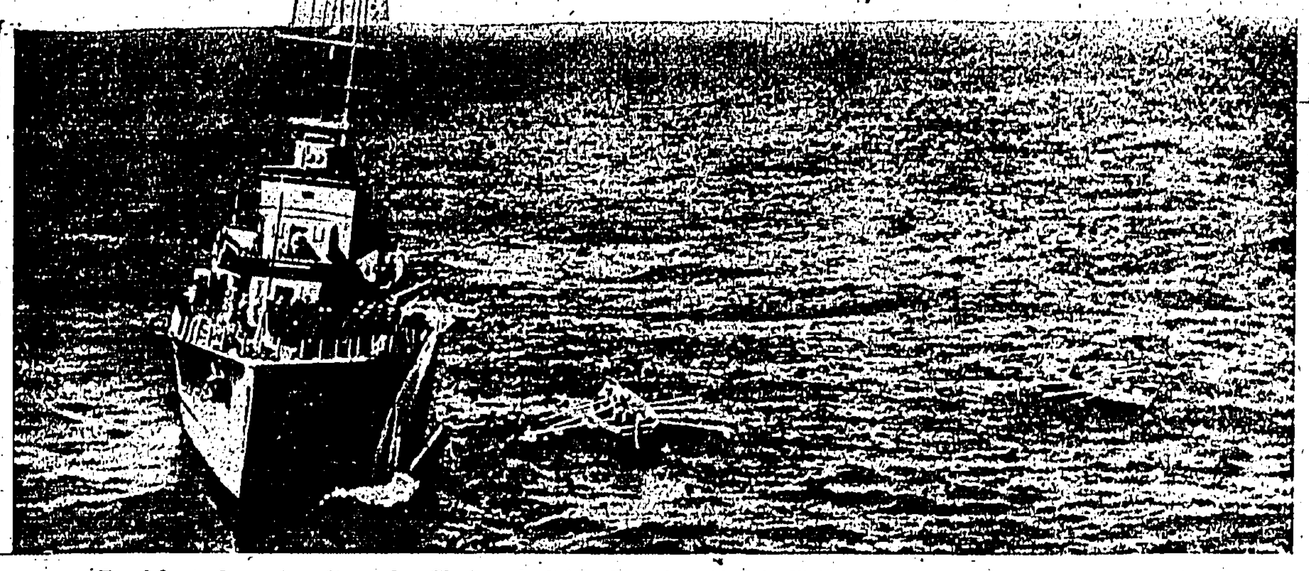
ACROSS

1 Pugs we term as beer containers (two words, 6, 4).
6 Inner bag of a rucksack.
9 On the road may appear a cad, ma'am, but don't judge by appearances.
11 Is back after ten, and goes on, but rather a strain, all the same.
12 That convenient Paris suburb.
13 An exit of stone.
14 Which Japanese town is it that sounds like a Pasha's colleague?
17 Though the container is broken the wine remains. Unravel this, dear solver.
19 The famous Pagoda runner.
20 The riddle that holds no solution.
21 The deer who did from the start.
23 Prepare for the table.
24 Thirst quencher.
26 For a lark it's quite the thing to do it.
29 Making a bit.
30 Very exact—
31 understand?
32 Resolved to put an end to.

DOWN

2 Save one more letter for quotation.
3 One of the non-waiters.
4 Turned out as lacking knowledge.
5 Employed in making bricks and mortar.
6 Famous Dutch Seventeenth Century philosopher. He wrote "Ethics."
7 Corporate raines (anag).
8 They're given many a punch, but they don't mind (two words, 7, 7).
10 One of the faces in 1.
15 The ocean greyhound I leave for the railway.
16 Batrachians to begin with, anyway.
18 Army order the oculist puts (two words, 4, 5).
20 Give rogues a hundred: the cat, of course.
22 Le six.
25 Still, you want to be wide awake to play it.
27 Discover this to sound like magistrate's decision.
28 A superior attraction.

Yesterday's Solution



Two 'planes from aircraft carrier Glorious had just been in mid-air collision off Alexandria when this picture was taken. Officer and telegraphist in machine which nose-dived lost their lives. Other airplane was picked up by destroyer Crusader. Its crew were rescued unharmed. Two boats put out to search for victims.

SCENE IN A TELEVISION STUDIO at Alexandra Palace during the production of a topical programme. Princess Kouka, from the Sudan, is standing in front of the television camera. On her right can be seen the next 'turn,' a plumber and his mate, waiting to be televised.

ROYALTY TRAVELS A DIFFICULT ROAD IN EXILE.—The Duke of Windsor, accompanied by his instructor, Walter Dellekarth, and followed by a squad of English and Austrian detectives disguised as skiers, takes a lesson in skiing at Spittal, Austria.

Air picture taken by a Dutch pilot of the dreaded submarine volcano, Krakatoa. After a terrific eruption in 1883 it sank with island on which it stood. Huge ocean-wave caused 36,000 deaths in Sumatra and Java, and tidal wave wrecked junks and sampans in Hongkong.

Promised Dying Wife He Would Wed Her Sister

Crippled Husband's Amazing Story of a Woman's Devotion

Propped up by pillows, ex-Private J. Germaine, crippled, in his home at 27 Abercorn Street, Paisley, told a London newspaper representative recently how his wife, on her death-bed, had extracted a promise from him that he would marry her sister.

She had insisted that the marriage would take place almost immediately after her death, which took place a fortnight ago.

THIS marriage will be the culminating point of a tensely moving story of a woman's gallant self-sacrifice and great love for her husband.

The story began in December, 1928, when Private Germaine, of the King's Own Scottish Borderers, stationed at Berwick-on-Tweed, met and fell in love with 15-year-old Mary King.

A month later they were married at Berwick.

Private Germaine was 25 years old at the time and shortly afterwards he was tranferred to England.

While engaged with his regiment on manoeuvres at Aldershot, he sustained injuries from which he has never recovered.

He and a party of men were attacking a point known as Hill 60 when the order to retreat was given. In running down-hill he tripped and lay stunned across a gap in the rough moorland.

A pursuit party tripped and fell on top of him in the darkness and his spine was dislocated.

For two years he remembered no more. Both memory and mind were gone and the army authorities engaged the best medical brains in the country to save his life.

With unremitting skill the doctors fought to save him and ultimately they were successful in bringing him back from the outer darkness in which he lay.

But he was only a pitiful shadow of the man he had once been. Memory and mind were completely restored but the lower part of his once powerful body, lay completely helpless.

Then followed a period of moving about from one military hospital to another until he finally reached Ralston Hospital, Paisley, to be near his wife.

All through that long period of hopelessness and despair she was with him eager to help, always cheerful, seeking only his happiness.

Ultimately the doctors announced his case was a hopeless one. Private Germaine, with less than two years' actual service with His Majesty's Forces, seemed doomed to spend the remainder of his days in the bare existence of hospitals.

But his wife made up her mind he was entitled to and would have the normal home-life of his fellow men.

WARNED BY DOCTORS

Doctors warned her of the task she was undertaking.

But Mary Germaine had made up her mind, and so the young couple set up house together at Canal Street, Paisley, and Private Germaine was discharged from the army with a disability pension of 32s 6d per week.

It was a hard struggle, but they managed to keep going.

With their little family of five children, life was difficult for them. There were arrears of rent, and ultimately they were evicted from their home.

"Despite it all, she never lost hope," said Mr. Germaine. "We took this room here at 27 Aberdeen Street, and Mary carried on the struggle, never complaining. We were everything to each other.

"Nessie, our oldest kiddie, went to stay with her grannie at Berwick. Then my wife had a baby which died. Hardly a year had passed when, within two days, we lost our two wee boys, one a year and some months and the other only ten months old."

A month ago, Fate, seeming reluctant to ever allow this family, to be free from trouble, took another hand in the game, Mary Germaine fell ill.

FIRST THOUGHT FOR HUSBAND

"When she took ill," said Germaine, "her first thoughts were for me. She knew she was unable to carry on alone, and she sent for her sister Barbara, who came from Berwick-on-Tweed.

"Mary had to go to hospital. The doctor told me she could not live, but as her complaint was a painful one she would receive treatment there to make things easier for her.

"At first she refused to go. She wanted to know what would become of me.

"Then this idea struck her. She said that if anything happened to her Barbara and I were to promise we would marry right away.

"I refused at first. Patiently I pointed out how difficult it would be for anyone to take her place. I said it would not be fair to Barbara. She was twenty-two, ten years my junior, young and full of life.

"She turned then to Barbara who said she was willing to take Mary's place.

"Even then I did everything to dissuade her. It was no good. She insisted that we should both promise or else she would not go into hospital.

"Ultimately I gave my promise but in my mind was the thought that I would persuade her to release me from it.

"Satisfied in mind, she went into the infirmary.

"Every day she grew weaker and weaker. I knew the end was in sight.

"It was arranged that I should visit her in hospital. Fortunately I was enjoying one of my good spells and could be wheeled up to the infirmary in my bath-chair.

"Once there I was placed in a stretcher and carried to her bedside. I talked away to her and then broached the subject of my promise.

"I pointed out the difficulties that were in the way. I pleaded with her to release me from my promise. She listened to all I had to say but nothing would move her.

"Firmly, despite her weakness, she held me to my promise. Nothing I could say would alter her mind.

"Shortly after that visit she died.

"I am marrying Barbara in two days' time. Neither of us wishes to break the promise we made to Mary."

THE CAT AND THE CANARY: HONGKONG VERSION

Puss, perched on top of cage, is intensely interested in carryings-on of canaries who, safe behind wire-netting, disdainfully ignore him. A Kowloon photo.

BRITISH INTERESTS GUARDED

RESPECTING TREATY PORT LEASES

London, Mar. 15.

In the House of Commons to-day, Sir Charles' Cuyzer (Conservative) asked whether, as a result of the counter-proposals submitted to the Japanese Government by the British Ambassador in Tokyo, a settlement satisfactory to the British Leaseholders' Committee had now been reached concerning the cancellation of perpetual leases in Treaty ports held by British subjects.

Lord Cranbourne, replying for the Government, said:—"Yes. An agreement has now been reached on the basis of the proposals presented by the British Ambassador." He added that he was expecting shortly to hear that Notes had been exchanged between the Ambassador and the Japanese Foreign Minister giving effect to the agreement.

Replying to a further question by Sir Charles, Lord Cranbourne said no settlement had been reached with regard to the Keelung incident, in which British naval men were tortured, but the matter was being actively discussed between the Ambassador in Tokyo and the Japanese Foreign Minister.—*Reuter.*

MORTGAGE DEBTS

London, Mar. 15.

Replying in the House of Commons to-day to Captain A. C. Moreing (Conservative) concerning Chinese mortgage debts, Lord Cranbourne said he was expecting a report on the matter from the British Ambassador.—*Reuter.*

McNUTT DUE IN LATE APRIL

Mr. P. V. McNutt, newly appointed American High Commissioner to the Philippines, plans to leave San Francisco to take up his office on April 3. He will travel East by the Dollar liner President Hoover, arriving in Hongkong on April 22, it is learned here.

Mr. McNutt was appointed to succeed Mr. Frank Murphy, who became Democratic Governor of Michigan in the last gubernatorial elections there.

U.S. Admiral Bereaved

MRS. E. J. MARQUART PASSES AWAY

Information has just been received in Hongkong of the death at Hankow of Mrs. Edward J. Marquart, wife of Rear-Admiral Marquart, U.S.N., commander of the Yangtze Patrol.

Mrs. Marquart died of pneumonia in the International Hospital at Hankow last week, after a brief illness.

Physicians, in a desperate effort to save her life, rushed serum from Shanghai to Hankow by plane, but she was dead before the plane arrived. A blood transfusion was also without effect. It is understood that the body will be sent to the United States for burial.

Rear-Admiral and Mrs. Marquart left Shanghai for Hankow only a week ago, when her husband, formerly stationed in the Philippines, took over command of the Yangtze Patrol.

Mrs. Marquart made several visits to Honkong during her three years in the East, and was last here in February, when she passed through en route to Shanghai. She had a host of friends throughout the East.

She was formerly Miss Marie Scanlon, marrying Rear-Admiral Marquart in 1917.

U.S. COMMODITY PRICES

LATEST—CABLED QUOTATIONS

The following quotations on the New York commodity exchange are issued by *Reuter*.

New York Cotton		
March	14.38/38	14.69/69
May	13.94/95	14.25/26
July	13.75/75	13.99/14.00
October	13.23/23	13.47/48
December	13.14/14	13.37/37
January	13.15/15	13.37/37
Spot	14.54	14.85

New York Rubber		
March	23.53n	23.50n
May	23.62/62	23.55/55
July	23.73b/75a	23.61/61
September	23.77/77	23.67/70
December	23.70b/80a	23.65/65

Total sales:—3,820 tons.

Chicago Wheat		
May	134⅝/134⅞	136⅛/136¼
July	117⅞/118	121⅛/121¼
September	115⅞/116	119⅛/119¼

Saturday's sales: 29,949,000 bushels.

Chicago Corn		
May	108⅝/108½	109⅝/109¾
July	104⅝/104½	105⅞/106
September	98¾/98¾	100⅛/100¼

Winnipeg Wheat		
May	129⅝/129¾	132⅞/133
July	126½/126⅝	130¼/130⅜
October	116⅝/116⅝	119½/119⅝

EXCHANGE

Selling

T.T.	1s.2.27/32
Demand	1s.2.27/32
T.T. Shanghai	101½
T.T. Singapore	52⅝
T.T. Japan	100
T.T. India	81¾
T.T. U.S.A.	30 1/16
T.T. Manila	60 1/16
T.T. Batavia	54⅞
T.T. Bangkok	149⅞
T.T. Saigon	65⅝
T.T. France	6.58
T.T. Germany	74¾
T.T. Switzerland	132
T.T. Australia	1/0 7/16

Buying

4 m/s. L/C London	1/3.1/32
4 m/s. D/P do.	1/3 1/16
4 m/s. L/C U.S.A.	30⅝
4 m/s. France	6.90
30 d/s. India	82¾
U.S. Cross rate in London	4.88 1/16

KAMINSKY DISCHARGED

Moscow, Mar. 15.

M. Kaminsky, Commissar for Health, has been relieved of his post and will be succeeded by M. P. Sergulev.—*Reuter.*

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BRITAIN CONTINUES TO STRIVE TOWARDS AIR ARMAMENT PACT

AIR ESTIMATES WELL ABOVE TOTAL REQUIRED FOR ARMY

London, Mar. 15.

"We have not abandoned hope of securing an air pact and the general stabilisation of air armaments," declared Sir Philip Sassoon, Under-Secretary for Air, introducing the Air Estimates in the House of Commons to-day. They are the largest in British history and, significantly, bigger by several hundred thousand pounds than the Army Estimates.

"We regard the realisation of the pact as of paramount importance. We are eager to seize the first opportunity to achieve it. Until such an opportunity offers we have no choice but to proceed with our plans. We believe that a British Air Force, strong, ready and well-equipped is one of the best contributions the country can make to world peace."

With regard to the adequacy of the Government's programme, they had many sources of information, which could not be divulged, upon which their building plans were based, said the Under-Secretary.

He assured the House that the supply of officers and men was entirely satisfactory. During the coming year it was proposed to train 1,175 new pilots. The Royal Air Force, he said, was getting the right kind of recruit.

Striking Power

Except for the larger aircraft of the Fleet Air Arm, the monoplane had almost entirely replaced the biplane, and the net result was that the striking power of the new types far surpassed that of corresponding types of two years ago.

Active research and development, said Sir Philip, were continually surviving to obtain a machine of even greater speed, range and load capacity.

Two new guns had been introduced, which would be manufactured in Great Britain.

Sir Philip disclosed that large-scale production had more than halved the time required for the manufacture of a new machine.

Compared to 53 home squadrons in 1935, they would now have 124 squadrons within a few months time.

Amendment Rejected

The House rejected, by 175 to 119, the Labour Opposition's motion for the abolition of aerial warfare and the international control of civil aviation.

Sir Philip, replying to critics, said the Government would seize any opportunity to achieve the abolition of aerial warfare, but he stressed the difficulty of devising a practical scheme for the control of civil aviation.—*Reuter.*

The Air Estimates total £82,500,000, or £326,000 more than the Army Estimates.

No Reason For Delay

Later, a Government motion to conclude the general discussion on Air Estimates was carried 210 to 94.

Winding up for the Government, Sir Thomas Inskip, Minister for the Co-ordination of Defence, declared there was no reason to suppose that their programme would not be completed by the end of 1939, which was the date originally suggested, as far as the number of air squadrons were concerned.—*Reuter.*

Force Trebled

London, Mar. 15.

The largest Air Estimates ever presented to Parliament were introduced in the House of Commons this afternoon by the Under-Secretary for Air, Sir Philip Sassoon. The net estimates of £82,500,000, including loan provision, compares with an average figure of £18,000,000 asked for by the Ministry in the previous year. It shows an increase of nearly £32,000,000 in the total estimates of 1936.

The expansion, said Sir Philip, in no way meant the abandonment of hope of securing an air pact and general stabilisation of air armament. On the contrary, the Government regarded the realisation of this hope as a matter of paramount importance and would seize instantly every opportunity to achieve it. The Air Force expansion was not merely a question of making good a deficiency. It meant practically a trebling of the Force, as well as re-arming it with modern equipment. Aircraft and aero engines could be

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CHINESE FIRE ON KOREANS

TWO SMUGGLERS SLAIN

PROTESTS LIKELY

Tientsin, Mar. 16.

The Japanese press here predicts the presentation of strong demands by Tokyo as a result of a shooting affair at Chiuchow, between Tientsin and Tsangchow, on March 12, when Chinese police fired on two truckloads of sugar, escorted by Koreans.

One truck escaped and returned to Tientsin. The second crashed, owing to a tyre burst caused by a bullet, and two of its crew of three were killed.

Chinese authorities state the police mistook the Koreans for bandits.—*Reuter.*

BRITAIN WATCHES

London, Mar. 15.

According to the latest figures there had been a successive diminution in the value and volume of smuggling in North China, declared Lord Cranborne, Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, answering a question by Mr. A. C. Moreing in the House of Commons to-day.

Mr. Moreing drew attention to the report that during three months over 1,500 lorries had passed Chinese Customs barriers under Japanese protection. Lord Cranborne replied that the Government was fully aware that there had been smuggling, but repeated that there had been a sensible diminution.

In answer to further questions, Lord Cranborne declared the British Consular authorities and others periodically furnished information with regard to the smuggling of drugs into China by Japanese nationals, which was passed on to the British Government's representative on the League Opium Advisory Committee for such action as might seem useful and desirable. The question of publicity was determined by the League.

It was understood, he said, that in practice the proceedings and reports of the Committee were published.

Another member asserted there were many circumstantial reports that the Japanese authorities were actively encouraging this traffic in drugs among the Chinese people. Lord Cranborne gave the House his assurance that the British Government was keeping the whole subject under constant examination.—*Reuter.*

FATAL ACCIDENT SEQUEL

OFFICER CHARGED ON THREE COUNTS

ADMITS ONE OFFENCE

The fatal accident in King's Road early on Monday morning had a sequel at Central Magistracy this morning, when, before Mr. W. Schofield, Lieut. D. H. N. Baker-Carr, well-known polo player, was charged with (a) driving without due care and caution; (b) driving a car with inefficient brakes; (c) driving without a valid licence.

Defendant pleaded not guilty to the first charge, not guilty to the second until he has had an opportunity to see the brakes for himself, and guilty to the third.

Inspector Saunders said at about 12.30 a.m. yesterday defendant was driving car No. 1889 eastward along King's Road. A little east of Electric Road he knocked down a man who shortly afterwards died. The man was about 12 feet from defendant's left side of the road, which was well-lit. The brakes were later tested and found to be inefficient.

Hearing of the case was fixed for Thursday, March 25.

Mr. Baker-Carr is on bail of $500 and is to be allowed an opportunity to himself examine the brakes of the car, which belongs to a friend.

LADY CHARGED

Miss D. B. Fair, c/o Messrs. Deacons, was summoned for driving at a speed dangerous to the public in Hennessy Road on March 1. Defendant pleaded not guilty through her solicitor, Mr. W. A. Mackinlay.

Traffic-Sergeant Wass said he followed Miss Fair along Queen's Road East. When she turned into Hennessy Road she accelerated. At Fleming Road Sergeant Wass stopped her. From Fleming Road to Luard Road she was doing 34 miles per hour. There were quite a lot of people in the road at the time and one or two of them had to jump clear to avoid being hit. Miss Fair herself

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SERIOUS FLOOD IN FEN AREA

CLOSE WATCH ON DYKE SYSTEM

RAIN RECORDS SHATTERED

London, Mar. 15.

While the northern areas of the British Isles are still in the grip of snow-storms, the southern counties of England are seeing all records for rain broken.

Total rainfall recorded at Kew this year already exceeds that of the first three months of any year since 1870, while at Greenwich a 122-year-old record has fallen.

In the Fen country, the Ouse River has risen to such an extent that 200 men are now keeping a day and night watch on the rivers and dykes in the neighbourhood of the Denver sluice.

Flood conditions have prevailed in the Fen country for eight weeks, and the position is acute, as there is another high tide to-night and again to-morrow. Dredgers are standing by ready to stop any gaps in the dykes, which are already being topped at some places.

Post Office engineers worked at top pressure throughout the week-end to repair telephone lines dislocated by the bad weather, but many subscribers are still without service, especially in northern Ireland.—*Reuter.*

British Flag Ruse

NOT MATTER FOR REPRESENTATION

London, Mar. 15.

The use of the British flag on a Spanish vessel recently in Spanish waters was the subject of a question in the House of Commons.

The Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Lord Cranborne, in reply, described the circumstances in which destroyers were sent in response to distress signals to the assistance of a vessel using the call sign of the British steamship Adda. Before these arrived, it was learnt that the ship in question was foreign, and it is understood to have been the Spanish steamer Mar Cantaberico.

The employment of ruses, such as the use of a neutral flag by a merchant ship in order to escape capture by the enemy, Lord Cranborne added, is a right which is well-established under international law, and this case would not therefore justify the representations which were suggested by the questioner.—*British Wireless.*

NEW PHONE SERVICE TO HANKOW

Following the recent inauguration of a telephonic link between Hongkong and Shanghai, a Hongkong-Hankow service is to be opened on Saturday next, March 20.

It is reported that Britain has so

There will be no official opening from Hongkong, but the Mayor of Canton, speaking from there, will converse with the Mayor of Hankow at about 9 a.m.

The Hongkong Telephone Company informs us that the rates for the service to Hankow will be $6.20 for a station call and $7.50 for a personal call.

TYPHOON WARNING

The Manila Observatory reports that there is a typhoon in about 128 Long., 11 Lat., moving north.

HEROIC SCOUT BRAVES FIRE TO RESCUE WOMEN TRAPPED IN FACTORY

Manila, Mar. 16.

The explosion and fire in the fireworks factory here last night claimed at least 25 lives—and produced one hero.

"There was a deafening roar and then darkness. We thought it was the end of the world," one of the survivors said.

The exact number of dead is not yet known due to the difficulty of identification, but at least 25 are believed to have perished and 30 are seriously injured, including a 17-year-old Boy Scout who dashed into the burning building in an attempt to rescue the shrieking women and girls who were trapped there.

The factory blast rocked the area over a radius of two miles and a number of near-by inhabitants suffered concussion.—*Reuter.*

H.K. PREPARES TO RESIST 'ENEMY' RAIDS

"Blueland" Aircraft Seen Over Colony

INFANTRY UNITS RUSH TO POSTS AT FANLING

Hongkong is in a state of preparedness consequent upon the commencement of big scale manoeuvres to test the defences of this Colony. Hongkong, known as Redland, is on the alert to resist anticipated attacks from Blueland, whose reconnaissance planes have been sighted over this territory. Blueland is likely to be assisted in any operations against Redland by a Fleet from Northland, another mythical enemy.

The following official communique was issued at 2 p.m. to-day by the General Staff at Military Headquarters:

"During Sunday 14th March, BLUE aircraft repeatedly flew over RED territory. Consequently it was decided at a RED meeting during the night 14/15 March to institute at once the precautions necessary to resist any attacks which might be launched by BLUE and/or by NORTHLAND.

"In accordance with orders then issued, the Fixed and Anti-Aircraft defences were manned at once and continuous watch is being kept by night and day. The Seaforth Highlanders fully deployed on the Island, and the Royal Ulster Rifles and Royal Welch Fusiliers, supported by the batteries of the Hongkong Brigade, Royal Artillery deployed into prepared positions across the Mainland from Port Shelter through Tide Cove to Gin Drinkers Bay. All these troops were in position by nightfall on 15th March.

Aircraft On Move

"Blue aircraft continued occasionally to circle over Redland but committed no other hostile act. Red aircraft carried out reconnaissance over sea and land. A dusk air reconnaissance revealed no Blue vessels within 200 miles of Redland.

"A dawn air reconnaissance on the morning of 16th March revealed activity at an aerodrome 20 miles north of the frontier and a body of troops—possibly with no hostile intent—advancing westward along the northern shores of Mirs Bay. As a precaution against trans-frontier attack, the Kumaon Rifles and a mountain battery were railed to Fanling in the early hours of 16th March. Local fog prevented effective Red reconnaissance seaward.

"Unfortuately for Red, a serious outbreak of influenza has prevented the effective immediate mobilisation of her Naval and Military Volunteer forces. It is hoped, however, that a certain number will be fit for duty some time to-morrow.

"It was reported last night by a very reliable European resident at Repulse Bay that a Blue cruiser with lights out passed through the East Lamma Channel last night. We understand that she was not detected by Red look-outs, but increased activity has been ordered this morning.

Food Precautions

"Reports by Hongkong Police Posts all over Redland are coming in to the satisfaction of the Military authorities.

"Air Raids precautionary measures are being put into action by the Air Raids Commandant. The Chairman of the Food Committee is putting into force his plan for the collection and conservation of available food stocks.

"Redland has not yet been attacked. But Redland is prepared to defend her territory."

R.M.A. DORADO DELAYED

FAULTY WIRELESS COMMUNICATION

The R.M.A. Dorado will not arrive in Hongkong until 5 p.m. to-day, six hours overdue.

The Dorado was delayed at Penang awaiting connection, and was further delayed en route to Hongkong by radio trouble.

DELAYED AGAIN

Oakland, Mar. 15.

Miss Amelia Earhart has again postponed her flight across the Pacific for 24 hours, owing to bad weather.—*United Press.*

DESCRIBES AIR MAIL EXPANSION

SERVICE TO LINK WHOLE EMPIRE

RAPID STRIDES INDICATED

London, Mar 15.

In reviewing developments in British external civil air communications in the House of Commons, Sir Philip Sassoon said the present condition was that the Empire air mail scheme should be in working order at the beginning of 1938, after which all first-class mail from the United Kingdom to Empire countries on the Empire air routes would be carried by air for a flat rate of 1/1½d. per half ounce, that being the current perferential Empire postage rate.

Meanwhile, it was hoped that a start would be made on the Durban route in the early summer of this year and on the Singapore route at the end of the year. The complete scheme aims at providing flying-boat services on the routes to South Africa, India and Australia, with certain additional land planes services to India, all operated by new Empire aircraft. Arrangements were being made for feeder services in connection with all routes.

Concerning the proposed North-Atlantic service, the formidable task of providing the necessary ground organisation and equipment was being actively pursued, and bases for both land and marine aircraft were in hand by the Governments concerned. As regards aircraft, the three main lines of trans-Atlantic development were in hand. Four-engined high speed land machines were on the point of completion, with which, it was hoped, to operate experimental services before the end of this year. A fleet of specially-designed flying-boats should be available in the course of 1938. The possibilities of catapulting long-range flying-boats was being actively investigated. Meanwhile long-range training flights had begun with two flying boats of the Empire type.

Among the new British external services introduced in 1936 were a weekly mail service between Khartoum and Kano and Lagos and a temporary service between Penang and Hongkong, pending completion of arrangements for a permanent connection.—*British Wireless.*

REBELS HALT DRIVE

Big Guns and Planes Busy

Madrid, Mar. 15.

Despite the return to warm and sunny weather, relative quiet prevailed to-day on all fronts around Madrid. Both sides are engaged in strengthening their new positions and resting after their strenuous and costly series of attacks and counter-attacks which have been continuing for a full week.

Government artillery was frequently active on the Guadalajara and Jarama fronts to-day, the object being to prevent rebel concentration.

It is reported that Government planes bombed and machine-gunned insurgent postions near Guadalajara and that insurgent machines raided the Government lines in the Aranjuez sector.

Activity on the Oviedo front is also confined to artillery fire.—*Reuter.*

Madrid Shelled

Madrid, Mar. 16.

The rebels shelled the centre of Madrid again to-day at regular hourly intervals. The shells killed two and wounded five. The rebels' objective was not apparent, but one shell dropped in the vicinity of the Telephone Exchange building. Shrapnel fragments tore across the street, dropped two women, apparently wounding them seriously. Later a little boy was carried into the Telephone Exchange building for emergency treatment.—*United Press.*

MURPHY CALLS A PARLEY

CRISIS IN LABOUR DISPUTE

HOTEL STAFF ON STRIKE

Detroit, March 15.

Secretary of the United Automobile Workers of America, Mr. Homer Martin, together with the labour organiser Mr. R. T. Frankenstein, arrived here to-day by aeroplane from Cleveland, in response to Governor Murphy's summons to an urgent conference, the subject of which has not been disclosed.

Meanwhile, officials of the Chrysler Corporation say that they do not know whether they will be asked to the conference.

Governor Murphy has remained at Lansing, in conference with the State and County Law officials on plans for new legislative machinery for the settlement of industrial disputes.

The Sheriff meanwhile has visited nine Chrysler plants, serving injunctions to the strikers to evacuate before 9 a.m. on Wednesday, under a penalty of a $10,000 fine.

Men who have been identified as the organisers of the Waiters and Waitresses Union, have told the guests in the lobby of the Statler Hotel, where the staff is on strike, to depart from the building or to remain in their rooms.

It is reported that the famous singer Lily Pons, who is preparing for a concert engagement, is marooned on the twelfth floor of the hotel. Bellhops are smilingly watching the guests dragging their luggage up and down the stairs.—*United Press.*

Silk Workers On Strike

S'HAI INDUSTRY TIED UP

Shanghai, Mar. 16.

The silk industry in Shanghai is threatened with complete stoppage as a result of the demands of workers for increased wages and better working conditions.

Already ten silk factories have been compelled to suspend operations owing to the striking of workers.—*Reuter.*

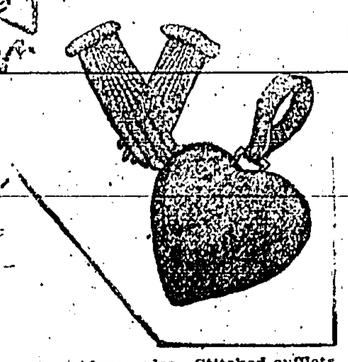
☆ Spring Fashion Parade

FROM LONDON AND PARIS

Leather bag, diamond shaped flap. Gloves in brown leather, stitched white. Black suede Dorothy bag with gilt band

Swagger coat in brown and white check worn over a brown tweed suit. Right, a stone coloured frock is trimmed to match the distinctive red, black and stone check tweed coat. (Peter Russell)

Heart-shaped bag in suede. Brown gloves to match have the new rolled cuff and white stitching.



SKIRTS
Short & Tight

COATS
New Box Swagger

FABRICS
Country Plaids
Town Flowers.

BUTTONS
Neck to Hem

GLOVES
Rolled Cuffs

BAGS
Valentine Shapes

A FAIRLY accurate gauge of what is going to be worn in the coming months can be made from fashion parades now being held in London and Paris.

The length of the everyday walking skirts has settled down to about 13 inches from the ground. They are cut to an almost sheath-like tightness, and many are buttoned down the front or side.

Coat frocks are also tunic-like in their simplicity, with pockets, belts and buttons, high-throated and square shouldered. There's an unmistakable look of the "regiment" about them. Coats with wide, pointed revers, and collar bands are back in favour.

Afternoon and soft dresses refute this boyish tendency. Waistlines are higher in front to give emphasis to feminine curves above. Skirts are close fitting over the hips, flaring into almost circular fullness at the hem.

A tightly knotted sash gives still more curve to this very womanly silhouette.

Patterned fabrics are the order of the day. Country and wool clothes are striped and streaked, whilst the silks, crepes and cottons are flower scattered or all over spotted.

Roses, lilies, ivy leaves, entwined hearts are some of the favourite and more sentimental pattern motifs.

Rainbow Schemes

One-colour schemes are no longer fashionable. Multicolour spots are preferable to one-colour ones. Mixed nosegays, where before there was a single floret, and rainbow sashes are the latest addition to plain frocks.

These sashes are made of lengths of georgette or soft ribbon for which the most brilliant colours are chosen—orange, green, blue and scarlet—and entwined together.

The same rainbow schemes are seen as hat trimmings and sequins on evening gowns and coats, also in the multi-coloured braids that are being used for edgings and hems.

An unusual amount of stitching is in evidence also. Stitched cuffs on gloves instead of wide gauntlets, stitched revers, also rows and rows of stitching which give the flexibility to the fabric hats that are likely to be keen rivals to spring straws.

And this year, choosing a new hat is going to be a pleasure, for most of them are very becoming with their flexible brims and reasonably, flat crowns.

Honey Apples

FRUIT puddings are particularly good for the family at this time of year. Here are two delicious recipes. First, honey apples.

Wash some large, sound apples and remove the cores with a corer. Fill the cavity with honey, and squeeze over a few drops of lemon juice.

Place the apples in a baking tin, add a little water, then bake in a fairly hot oven, Regulo 5, until the apples are cooked.

Fruit Delight

Peel, core and slice some apples and arrange in a buttered pie-dish. Slice a banana over the apples, squeeze over a few drops of lemon juice, then sprinkle with sugar.

Covered with bottled raspberries or loganberries, sprinkle with sugar and breadcrumbs. Dot with margarine, bake for half an hour in a moderate oven.

HOUSEHOLD A B C

A WOODEN spoon is best for rubbing ingredients through a sieve. It will not ruin the wire mesh and it has a larger surface than a metal one.

Be sure to keep all cereals, tea, sugar, spices, etc., in airtight tins or jars, so that they will not go stale.

Coat fruit evenly and quickly when dipping it into batter for making fritters, by using a fork.

Dishes which are greasy are best rubbed over with newspaper before they are washed. If the water is hard, add a little borax and soap powder.

Enamel-lined pots should be allowed to cool before hot water is poured into them ready for washing up, as enamel is very easily cracked.

Fix a hinged flap of wood on the wall near the stove, so that when cooking you can lift it into position and you have a convenient table on which to dish the food.

Give your books a "mend-up" now and again. If the binding is splitting, stick it up with a piece of adhesive tape and paint it over to match the cover.

Hot soups and stocks should be allowed to cool before they are placed in the larder, or there may be a danger of them turning sour.

Inspect your larder daily and mark down on a slate or pad all that is needed, and consult this list when ordering the groceries or doing the shopping.

Just oil your meat-mincer with a little glycerine if it is at all stiff. It will not affect the food in any way.

Keep milk in clean, scalded basins away from any other food which has a strong smell.

Lustre is added to mirrors and polished surfaces if they are rubbed over with an old silk stocking after they have been cleaned in the ordinary way.

Mix your shampoo powder in an old feeding-cup. You can then pour it on to your hair without waste, and in just the right quantity.

Next washing-day save your starch from the wash. If used to wash tiled floors or hearths, a brilliant polish will be obtained.

Over-ripe tomatoes will become quite firm if placed for about 20 minutes in a basin of salted water.

Such pains as toothache, neuralgia and also coughs (apply to the chest for this) are relieved by mustard poultices, but be careful not to injure the skin by leaving on too long. Also take care that the mustard does not get too near the eyes, or they will smart!

To make one of these poultices, spread a cotton cloth with a paste of equal parts mustard and flour mixed with lukewarm water. Cover with a second cloth and apply to the affected part and leave until a "tingling" is felt, but no longer than 20 minutes.

Unless you are careful, boiled fish is easily broken when taken from the pan. If placed on a strainer in the pan the fish will remain unbroken when dished up.

White fish, when cut, should have a creamy appearance, not a bluish tint. Choose fish by its stiffness and bright colour of its eyes and gills.

Scot's Tragic Love Idyll

GUILTY OF RAIDING A HAREM

REPORTS PREPARED FOR THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT HAVE THROWN NEW LIGHT ON THE FATE OF A YOUNG SCOT NAMED ALEXANDER CAIRNS, WHOSE MURDERED AND MUTILATED BODY WAS FOUND IN THE DESERT SOME MILES FROM ALEPPO, SYRIA.

It is now established that he fell a victim to a harem vengeance plot.

Cairns arrived at Aleppo to take up an engineering appointment last summer and showed intense interest in native life.

He was particularly attracted by the glamour of the harems and their dark-eyed inmates.

In some way he managed to get into touch with a girl in one of these establishments—a girl who passed for a Circassian, but is said to have more European than Eastern blood in her veins.

RECKLESS VISIT

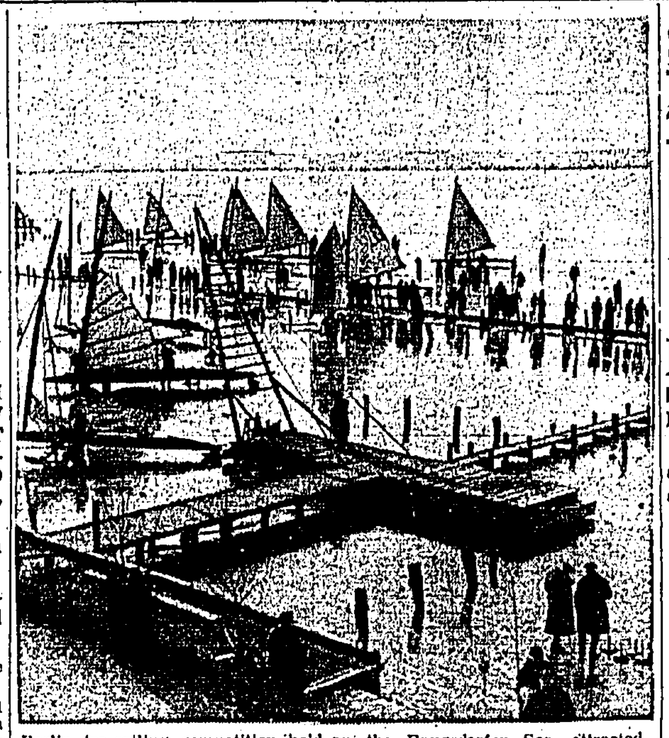
Apparently she was as much interested in him as he in her, and the young Scot conceived the dangerous idea of forcing his way into the harem by night.

He was surprised in the course of a clandestine visit.

Native custom knows only one punishment for persons so caught—death.

Exactly where the penalty was carried out on Cairns is not known.

He had been "executed" with the special marks that denote the nature of his crime for those familiar with the East.



Berlin ice-sailing competition held on the Rangsdorfer Sea, attracted record number of entries this year.

Success After 4 Years' Research

DRUG TO KILL PNEUMONIA

Washington, Mar. 1.

DISCOVERY of a new drug which will kill the germs of pneumonia in mice is announced by Dr. Sanford M. Rosenthal, of the National Institute of Health in Washington.

Because of the large dosage required it cannot be applied at present to human beings, "but it is a big advance in the right direction," said Dr. Rosenthal.

"THE EFFECTIVE DRUG HAS THE TECHNICAL NAME OF 'PAMINO-BENZENE SULPHONAMIDE.' IT IS REASONABLY CHEAP AND AVAILABLE COMMERCIALLY.

FOUR YEARS' WORK

"Now we have the drug to do the work, the question is to make it practical for human application," the doctor added.

Discovery of the drug was the result of four years' research by Dr. Rosenthal, who treated more than 300 mice before he found it.—*United Press.*

TEACHING FATHER HIS JOB

One million young mothers and fathers throughout the kingdom are learning their duty as parents from a sixpenny booklet.

The Association of Maternity and Child Welfare Centres, Piccadilly, has just announced the issue of the millionth copy of "To Mothers and Fathers" (6d. post free), compiled by hundreds of the nation's greatest experts.

Here are some of the recommendations for father:

Take your wife for short, gentle evening walks.

Although you cannot help with baby clothes, you might make a cot for baby, or other useful baby furniture.

Show your interest by regularly asking what baby gained in weight.

Requests come from fathers all over the world for this booklet. Borough councils buy thousands to give to prospective parents.

LEGAL RELATIVES FOR FRANCE'S FORGOTTEN SOLDIER

Paris, Mar. 1.

The mystery of France's "forgotten man," known as Anthelme Mangin because amnesia resulting from war experiences caused him to forget his identity, soon may be cleared up by medical experts and psychiatrists.

The case of the "forgotten man" has received much attention, with the result that two sympathetic families have claimed him as their own and have even gone to court over the dispute.

Twenty years ago, a soldier, minus any identification marks, was found wandering about a railroad station suffering from amnesia. He has never recovered his memory and has been called Mangin because this was the first word he muttered when questioned by French authorities. He couldn't remember his first name, so he chose that of Anthelme.

Since then, women have come from all over France hopeful of identifying the amnesia victim as a husband, brother, son or relative lost in the war. The Montjoin family in Nantes identified and claimed him. Similarity of the names—Montjoin and Mangin—seemed plausible, as both are pronounced almost alike and also he bears a certain resemblance to other members of the family. The soldier could not remember the Montjoins, but was willing to join them when Mme. J. Lemary stepped forward and said that this man was her husband who had been reported missing since the war and had never been heard of since.

Both families seem sure of the "forgotten man's" identity and both have furnished sets of photographs which are not unlike the amnesia victim. Mme. Lemary went so far as to bring suit for the return of her husband, but no one was able to decide the identity of the soldier.

Mangin, anxious to have the question of his identity settled and to have a fixed civil status, is submitting himself to expert physicians and scientists who, after thorough examination of the victim and the so-called families, will decide whether he is a Montjoin or the lost husband of Mme. Lemary.—*United Press.*

'Tipperary' Won't Die

"TIPPERARY" is twenty-five years old this month. No, it *wasn't* written during the war, and it *wasn't* composed for the benefit of thousands of tramping feet.

It was written in a public-house as the result of a bet by its author, Mr. J. Judge of Oldbury, Worcestershire.

"I was with a man in a theatre bar and he bet me I couldn't write a song and produce it in one day," Mr. Judge said.

"I accepted the bet, went to an inn and wrote the words and music of 'Tipperary'. The same night I sang it in the Stalybridge Theatre. In a few minutes everybody was singing it.

"It has earned thousands of pounds. I myself have made £5 a week out of it since 1915, and expect I shall continue to do so."

But Mr. Judge is not the only one to claim authorship of "Tipperary."

A tablet at a public-house at Balsall Common, Warwickshire, states the song was written there. Mr. Judge doesn't think so, anyway. *He* makes the money out of it!

Host To Empire's Premiers

London, Mar. 1.

THE King is to attend a luncheon of the Empire Parliamentary Association in Westminster Hall on May 7—the Friday before Coronation Day.

The guests will be the Prime Ministers and members of the Legislatures of the Empire who will be in London for the Coronation, the Imperial Conference, and an Empire Parliamentary Conference.

At the Empire Parliamentary Conference the Dominion Parliament will be represented by delegations headed by a Cabinet Minister and including Speakers, leaders of the Opposition and of other principal parties in the Parliaments.

There will be a delegation from the Indian Central Legislature. Invitations have been sent to the Premiers of the Australian States and the provinces of Canada.

Delegates are also expected from the Irish Free State, and from the Parliament of Northern Ireland as on the occasion of the Empire Parliamentary Conference of 1935.

SEVEN PREMIERS ACCEPT

Colonies which have reached a certain stage of self-government are also sending representatives, including Ceylon, Bermuda, Barbados, Bahamas, Jamaica, Hongkong and Mauritius.

Acceptances have so far been received from about 60 of the invited delegates, including five Speakers, while seven Premiers of States or Provinces have up to the present accepted the invitation to be the guests of the Empire Parliamentary Association for the Coronation Parliamentary Conference.

In recent years a number of functions arranged by the Empire Parliamentary Association have taken place in Westminster Hall. When the present King, then Duke of York, returned from his Australian tour in 1927, he attended a reception given by the Association to visiting members of the Parliaments of the Empire.

Laurel On New Honeymoon

Divorce To Be Erased

New York, Mar. 1.

STAN LAUREL (of Laurel and Hardy) has gone on his second honeymoon.

Stan and wife Virginia have settled the differences that resulted from the maintenance suit filed by Mae Laurel, who alleged that she was the common law wife of the comedian, and the reunited couple have left Hollywood by car for a leisurely journey to New York.

"All our troubles are forgotten," said Laurel before leaving.

The divorce secured on the day before Christmas will be erased.

Before marrying Virginia in 1933, Stan had been divorced from Mrs. Lois Laurel, whom he married in 1926.

WHEAT WITHOUT WORK

A STRAIN of wheat which does not need sowing annually but is perennial, like grass, is being developed and tested on Canada's Dominion Experimental Farms.

The farmer of the future may be able to sow a field of wheat and harvest crops of grain from it year after year, without all the labour of annual ploughing, harrowing and sowing.

Paper Cap May Give Man His Freedom

A DESIGN for a cap sent by a man in Broadmoor Asylum to a social service centre has led to efforts being made for his release.

Alderman J. Ritson, Labour M.P. for Durham, is to be asked by members of the Framwellgate Moor Social Service Centre to help secure the freedom of Horace H. Fidler, who has been at Broadmoor for 34 years.

Fidler, then 18 years old, was sent to the asylum from Durham Assizes on a charge of attacking a colliery manager, now dead.

HIS LETTER

Nothing had been heard of him at Framwellgate Moor until he sent a letter to Mr. C. Dent at the centre stating that he had been reading in a local newspaper of their activities.

He wondered why they did not undertake cap-making.

He enclosed in his letter a paper design of a cap and full instructions.

The members were so impressed that the secretary wrote to him saying they would follow his suggestion.

Since then there has been a movement in the village to secure his release, and a committee has been appointed.

He is remembered in the village for his interest in designing and painting.

Scot Paid £10,000 To Quarrel With Wife

SO that he and his wife could quarrel, if they wanted to, without interference from neighbours, a man bought the houses on each side of his.

They cost him between £10,000 and £15,000.

Mr. F. A. Macquisten, M.P., told the Commons that this happened in Glasgow. The man was wealthy, and had gone to live in the city's "Carlton House-terrace."

He complained to Mr. Macquisten that his aristocratic neighbours were very interfering. "Me and my wife," he said, "had a bit of a tofsie (a row), and they sent for the police."

The story came out while the House was discussing Mr. Petherick's Bill to separate matrimonial question from the ordinary procedure of police courts. The Government promised its support, and it was given a second reading.

'TOO MANY'

At present, said Mr. Petherick, there is no limit to the number of magistrates who hear these cases: sometimes as many as thirty are on the Bench, to the great embarrassment of the parties. He proposed the maximum should be three.

Mr. Pritt, on the Socialist side, said while it was wrong to have the court cluttered up with busybodies and nosy parkers, litigation involving the status of individuals and large sums of money should not be held without public ventilation.

If there was no publicity there might be casual misbehaviour in the courts, and dishonesty on the part of witnesses, who might believe they would never be discovered.

30 PINS IN HER EAR

Ipswich (Massachusetts), Mar. 1.

For thirty years Miss Nellie Gwinn, of Ipswich, Massachusetts, suffered from intermittent earache. X-rays have just revealed the presence of thirty corroded pins and needles, apparently pushed in while she was a child. They have been safely removed.

Engaged To His Half-Sister

Paris, Mar. 1.

ARMAND SCHWEIZ met a girl named Juliet. They fell in love, became engaged. But—

Armand had not been home for many years, so he did not know that his father had married again.

He wrote to his father, telling him of his romance, mentioning the name of the girl he had chosen. The father replied:

"My dear boy: It is your own sister whom you propose to marry."

Juliet's mother had married Armand's father.

The half-brother and the half-sister cannot wed...according to law.

But the President of the Republic is expected to grant them a special dispensation.

ROMANCE OF URSULA JEANS

URSULA JEANS, THE ACTRESS, HAS MARRIED IN NEW YORK ROGER LIVESEY, THE ACTOR. "NOTHING COULD HAVE PLEASED ME MORE," WAS THE COMMENT OF MRS. McMINN, HER MOTHER.

Ursula had cabled her mother: "Just to say we were married this morning, my darling." The cable added that they were very happy.

Roger Livesey is playing with Gilbert Miller's company, "The Country Wife," in New York. Ursula took a holiday a fortnight ago and went to America.

"Ursula's last play was 'The Country Wife' at the Old Vic, and it was at the Old Vic that she first met Mr. Livesey three years ago," Mrs. McMinn said.

"He is thirty and she is twenty-nine and they are an ideal couple. Theirs is a perfectly happy marriage," said Mrs. McMinn. "They are frightfully in love with each other. He is a grand man."

Miss Jeans made her West End stage debut at Wyndham's as Angela in "The Firebrand," in 1920.

In 1931 she married Robin Irvine, the actor, but it was three months before the news of the marriage became known.

The romance ended in tragedy with the death of Mr. Irvine from pleurisy in Bermuda while on holiday.

In 1935, both Miss Jeans and Mr. Livesey denied rumours of their engagement, but Mr. Livesey added: "Theatrical people never get engaged, but they often get married."

Mr. Livesey is the son of the late Sam Livesey. He was educated at Westminster City School and made his stage debut at the St. James's Theatre in 1917.

Like his wife, Mr. Livesey has appeared in many films as well as West End shows.

Gorilla Battles With Flying Squad

Paris, Mar. 1.

A FULL-GROWN gorilla belonging to Mme. Lecomte, kept at bay this afternoon six members of the Paris flying squad sent to capture it.

Trouble began when the gorilla, in a fit of temper, broke its chain, smashed its cage, and attacked Mme. Lecomte.

When the flying squad arrived the gorilla had barricaded itself behind a pile of broken furniture, and a half-hour battle occurred—with pokers and iron bars as defence against flying chairs—before it could be captured.

Then it was sent to the Paris zoo.

SWISS BUILD FORTS

Defence Drive Will Aid Workless

Berne, Mar. 1.

LITTLE Switzerland (her population is 4,100,000, compared with Britain's 47,000,000) will this year spend £4,800,000 on building frontier fortresses and underground air raid shelters, said Minister of Economy Obrecht to-day.

Altogether £25,000,000 will be allotted to public works and Government-subsidised private works. Sums of £4,500,000 will go on (1) work for the unemployed, (2) subsidies to house-owners who undertake to spend the money on repairs.

TELL DEMOCRACY THE TRUTH

(Continued from Page 6.)

human predilection for comforting delusion, which is proverbially much more characteristic of this country than of more keenly logical and realistic races, seems to have permented every department of our existence, public and private.

We even go on practising it in our social relations. The Browns are invited to the Joneses. "Have we really got to martyr ourselves for a whole evening again by dining with those unutterable suburban frumps?" moans Brown. "Must we put up with the shattering imbecilities of those ourang-outangs?" demands Jones. There is hardly an end to the vicious circle of daily and hourly self-deceits and hypocrisies. Maybe life would become wellnigh intolerable if we all made a strict rule of perfect candour in private affairs. But I am very sure that persistent hypocrisy and make-belief in public and national business is ultimately disastrous.

SELF-DECEPTION

In the grim competition of world affairs the race will be to the realists, not to the illusionists. A nation disciplined to face facts, and not encouraged to call a shovel an agricultural implement, will surmount those facts better than one that indulges itself in comforting delusions and easy subterfuges.

Above all is this true the domain of public and private morals. When self-deception paves the way to self-destruction, and though it gratifies us nowadays to disguise the fact, morals count in the annals of a country more in the long run than shotted guns or plated tanks. If Fascism ever conquers Europe, which the fates forefend, it will not be because it commanded better brains or better arms, but because it was backed by a better morale.

That is why I sigh for another Dr. Johnson, one who would not scruple to tell either democratics statesmen or democracy itself the naked and possibly disintegrating truth. Unless we are very careful, democracy will be allowed to coddle itself to perdition. Nothing is so susceptible to flattery as a democracy. When it ignores the realism of its declared enemies and false friends, democracy fatally flatters itself.

FIGHT SEQUEL
GUILD OR SOCIETY INVOLVED

Asking for a remand of one week, Mr. M. A. da Silva, representing the first of two defendants in a disorderly behaviour case at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, explained that the matter was more serious than an ordinary fight, as it involved a guild or society making threats and intimidating other people.

The men, Tang Pui, 41-year-old tea house foki, and Ma Tim, 25, steward, were charged with fighting in Battery Street, near Kansu Street on March 15.

Requesting that bail for both defendants be raised, Mr. da Silva said, there was reason to believe the second man had received instructions to go to a tea-house with a number of other men and assault the first defendant. Prohibitive bail would prevent the second defendant from escaping to Canton.

Accordingly, bail, which had been fixed at $25, was raised to $50.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY.
WEDNESDAY, 17th March, 1937.

A wreath will be laid at the CENOTAPH by the President and Committee of St. Patrick's Society at 11.00 a.m.

Members of the Society and their friends are asked to assemble on the North side of the Supreme Court prior to the Ceremony.

B. H. C. HALLOWES,
Hon. Secretary,
St. Patrick's Society of Hong Kong.

THE MANUFACTURERS LIFE INSURANCE CO.

During my temporary absence on leave from the 20th March to the end of September, 1937, the charge of this office will be under the management of the Resident Secretary, Mr. W. Sharp.

E. J. R. MITCHELL,
Manager for South China.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.

Notice to Shareholders.

The Sixty-eighth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on **Thursday, the 25th March, 1937, at Noon,** for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the **31st December, 1936.**

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the **11th to the 25th March, 1937,** both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.
General Managers,
The Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, 5th March, 1937.

HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the Offices of the Company 2, Queen's Building, Hong Kong, on **Monday, 22nd March, 1937, at Noon,** for consideration of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending **31st December, 1936.**

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from 12th to 22nd March, 1937, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

E. COCK,
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong,
1st March, 1937.

NOTICE.

As from to-day, our offices will be located on the 3rd. floor of Exchange Building.

GETZ BROS. & CO.
Hongkong, 15th March, 1937.

POPE TO ATTEND MASS

Vatican City, Mar. 15.

His Holiness the Pope will attend Pontifical High Mass at St. Peter's Church in Easter Sunday. He will be carried thither and, if the weather and his health permits, he will bless the crowd from the balcony.—*Reuter Bulletin Service.*

DAY BY DAY NEWS IN BRIEF

IT IS MY BELIEF THAT NOT SELF-INTEREST BUT SELF-SACRIFICE IS THE ONLY LAW UPON WHICH HUMAN SOCIETY CAN BE GROUNDED WITH ANY HOPE OF PROSPERITY AND PERMANENCE.—*Charles Kingsley.*

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The following forthcoming weddings are announced: Mr. Sidney Ellis Edgar, broker, of 455 The Peak, and Miss Dolores Paterson, residing at 92 Nathan Road; Mr. John Geoffrey James, merchant, of Bacolod, Negros, Philippine Islands, and Miss Kathleen Vera Wardill, of "Highfield," Bridlington, England.

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Li Hung, 25, unemployed, charged with breach of the Deportation Ordinance, and with being found on the stairway of a common dwelling-house for an unlawful purpose, was fined $200, or three months' hard labour, and eight months' hard labour respectively, by Mr. W. Schofield at Central Magistracy this morning. The sentences are to be consecutive. Defendant had one previous conviction under the Opium Ordinance. Sub-Inspector Hallam prosecuted.

The annual general meeting of the Hongkong Automobile Association will be held on Monday, March 22, at 5.30 p.m.

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The election of officials for the General Chamber of Commerce and Industry of the Tung Koon district for the ensuing year took place on Sunday, when the following officials were elected: The Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau (Chairman), Mr. Lau Kingtsing, and Mr. Chau Cheong-nin (Vice-Chairman), Mr. Chen Lanfong (Treasurer), and Mr. Yuen Kam-fan (Secretary).

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In a letter written from the Viceroy's House, New Delhi, by Colonel Sleeman, the Chief Commissioner of the St. John Ambulance Brigade Overseas, it is stated that the Colonel is not merely visiting the Far East in his capacity as Commissioner Overseas but as the Representative of His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught, the Grand Prior of the Venerable Order of St. John of Jerusalem.

Shipping Intelligence

Shipping Companies are requested to forward, as early as possible information regarding arrivals, departures, time and mooring place and other movements. Urgent information should be telephoned to the shipping Editor, Phone 26615.

PORT DIRECTORY

ANYO MARU (M.B.K.), Kowloon Wharf.
APOEY (Wo Fat Sing), Yaumati.
ATTILA (Texas Co.), Texas Company Wharf.
AYMERIC (Bank Line) British, Capt Calderwood, 3,167 tons, Taikoo Dock.
BONDOENG MARU (O.S.K.), A.9.
CANTON MARU (O.S.K.), O.S.K. Wharf.
CAPE ST. FRANCIS (Dodwell), B.5.
CHINA EXPORTER (Wallem), Kowloon Wharf.
CORONA (Karsten Larsen), Yaumati.
FORAFARIC (Williamson & Co.), Stonecutters.
HAI LI (B. & S.), West Point.
HAIHANG (Douglas), B.12.
HAKONE MARU (N.Y.K.), Kowloon Wharf.
HAVFRU (A.P.C.), Laichikok.
HELIOS (Thoresen), B.9.
HELIKON (Wo Fat Sing), B.9.
HOIHOW (B. & S.), Taikoo Dock
KANCHOW (B. & S.), B.20.
KATIE MOLLER (Dodwell), Laichikok
KATORI MARU (N.Y.K.), Kowloon Wharf.
KIANGSU (B. & S.), B.16.
LYEEMOON (Wo Fat Sing), B.5.
MEMNON (B. & S.), Holt's Wharf.
PRESIDENT MONROE (Dollar), Kowloon Wharf.
PRODUCE (Karsten Larsen), B.6.
PROMISE (Karsten Larsen), C.1.
PRONTO (Karsten Larsen), Kowloon Dock.
RHEXENOR (Blue Funnel) in dock.
SAGRES (Williamson. & Co.), B.4.
SANDVIKEN (J. M.), B.2.
STENTOR (B. & S.), Holt's Wharf.
SUISANG (Jardines) Kowloon Wharf.
SUIYANG (B. & S.), Taikoo Dock.
SZECHUEN (B. & S.), B.14.
TAI LEE (Yee Tai Hong), Yaumati.
TAIPING (B. & S.), Holt's Wharf.
TAI SEUN HONG (Kwong Lee), Shamshuipo.
TAIYO MARU (N.Y.K.), Kowloon Wharf.
TAI YUEN (B. & S.), B.21.
TANGSHAN MARU (N.Y.K.), B.10.
TIN SENG (Tai Fung & Co.), C.1.
TJIKARANG (J. C. J. L.) Buoy A.16.
TJISADANE (J.C.J.L.), A.1.
TONJER (Dodwell & Co.), B.26.
WILLY (A.P.C.) Norwegian, Capt Skofterud, 3,466 tons, Kowloon Dock.
WARD (States), A.4.
WING WO (Tai Fung), B.13.
YOCHOW (B. & S.) B.1.

SAILING TO-MORROW

(Agents Phone Numbers Given)

FUKUKEN MARU (O.S.K.) for Amoy, 10 a.m., O.S.K. Wharf. 28061.
HELIOS (Thoresen) for Bangkok, noon, B.9. 30237.
KIANGSU (B. & S.) for Bangkok, 3 p.m., West Point, B.15. 30331.
PRESIDENT MONROE (Dollar) for Europe, 8 a.m., Kowloon Wharf. 28171.
SOOCHOW (B. & S.) for Shanghai, noon, West Point. 30331.
TAIYUAN (B. & S.) for Amoy, 5 p.m., West Point. 30331.

VESSELS DUE

AJAX (B. & S.) April 11.
ANTENOR, B. and S., Mar. 27.
ATREUS (B. & S.), April 19.
AUSTRALIEN, E.A.C., Mar. 16.
BENALDER, Ben Line, Mar. 18.
CATHAY (B.I.), Mar. 18.
CITY OF BIRMINGHAM, (Bank), Mar. 15.
CITY OF LYONS (Bank), Apr. 11.
DAVIKEN, J. M., Mar. 18.
EMPRESS OF BRITAIN, C.P.S., Mar. 22, 8 a.m.
EMPRESS OF CANADA, C.P.S., Mar. 17.
EMPRESS OF JAPAN, C.P.S., April 9.
EMP. OF RUSSIA, C.P.S., Mar 25.
FRIDERUN, Melchers, Mar. 28.
GENERAL PERSHING, States, Mar. 16.
GERTRUDE MAERSK, Jebsen, Apr. 2.
GOLDEN TIDE, States, Mar. 30.
HECTOR (B. & S.) April 23.
HELENUS, B. and S., Mar. 20.
HINSANG, J. M., Mar. 19.
HOSANG, J. M., Mar. 18.
ILLINOIS, States, Mar. 23.
INDIA, E.A.C., Apr. 8.
ISAR (Melchers), Apr. 1.
IXION (B. & S.) April 9.
JAVA, E.A.C., Apr. 2.
JEYPORE (B.I.), Mar. 19.
KITANO MARU (N.Y.K.), Mar. 18.
KULMERLAND, Jebsen, Mar. 16.
KUTSANG (Jardine's), Mar. 20.
KWAISANG (Jardines), Mar. 18.
LAHN (Melchers), Apr. 5.
MENTOR, B. & S., April 1.
MERIONES (B. & S.), Mar. 26.
NECKAR, Melchers, Mar. 18.
NEPTUNA, Gibb, Livingston, Mar. 17.
NORDMARK, Jebsen, Mar. 23.
OLDENBURG, Jebsen, Mar. 20.
PERSEUS, B. and S., Apr. 5.
PERU, E.A.C., Mar. 25.
PRESIDENT CLEVELAND (Dollar) Mar. 16.
PRESIDENT GRANT, Dollar, Mar. 19.
POTSDAM (Melchers), Apr. 8.
PROMINENT (Jardines), Mar. 22.
RELIANCE, Jebsen, Mar. 29, 8 a.m.
SCHARNHORST (Melchers), Mar 28.
SIRDHANA, B. I., Mar. 16, p.m.
TAI SHAN, Dodwell's, Mar. 17.
TASMANIA, Jebsen, Mar. 24.
TAYBANK (Bank), April 25.
TRIANON, Thoresen, Mar. 24.
TROJA, Thoresen, Mar. 22.
URSULA RICKMERS, Jebsen, Mar. 20.
VICTORIA, Ll. T., Mar. 27.

ARRIVED YESTERDAY

(Agents Phone Numbers Given)

BENEVIS (Ben Line) from Manila, 3 p.m., Kowloon Wharf. 30593.
CITY OF BIRMINGHAM (Bank Line) from Manila, daylight, Kowloon Wharf. 27791.
DAVIKEN (Jardines) from Shanghai, 8 p.m., West Point. 30311.
KANGCHOW (B. & S.) from Shanghai, 6 p.m., West Point. 30331.
NANCHANG (B. & S.) from Tsingtao, 6 p.m., West Point. 30331.
PRESIDENT MONROE (Dollar) from Manila, 5 p.m., Kowloon Wharf. 28171.
YATSHING (Jardines), from Tientsin, B.8. 30311.

SAILED YESTERDAY

(Agents Phone Numbers Given)

ANHUI (B. & S.), for Penang, 2 p.m., West Point. 30331.
CITY OF BIRMINGHAM (Bank Line) for Europe, 4 p.m., Kowloon Wharf. 27791.
DAVIKEN (Jardines) for Canton, 8 p.m., West Point Wharf.
HAI LEE (Thoresen) for Amoy, 2 p.m., West Point., B.11. 30237.
IXION (B. & S.) for Vancouver, 2 p.m., A.8. 30331.
PRESIDENT McKINLEY (Dollar) for America, midnight, Kowloon Wharf. 28171.
YATSHING (Jardines), for Canton, 8 p.m., B.8. 30311.

ARRIVING TO-DAY

(Agents Phone Numbers Given)

AUSTRALIEN (E.A.C.) from Europe, 9 a.m. 33266.
GENERAL PERSHING (States) from Japan, 3 p.m., Kowloon Wharf. 30371.
KULMERLAND (Jebsen) from Europe, noon. 26661.
MUINAM (B. & S.) from Hoihow, a.m., West Point. 30331.
NEPTUNA (M.M.) from Manila, 11 a.m., Kowloon Wharf. 28031.
PRESIDENT CLEVELAND (Dollar) from America, a.m., Kowloon Wharf. 28171.
SIRDHANA (B.I.), from Calcutta, 8 p.m., Kowloon Wharf. 27721.
SUISANG (Jardines), from Kobe, 4.30 a.m., Kowloon Wharf. 30311.

SAILING TO-DAY

(Agents Phone Numbers Given)

AUSTRALIEN (E.A.C.) for Singapore, 6 p.m.
BENEVIS (Ben Line) to Europe, daylight. 30593.
GENERAL PERSHING (States) for Manila, midnight, Kowloon Wharf. 30371.
KULMERLAND (Jebsen) for Europe, 5 p.m. 26661.
MEMNON (B. & S.) for Japan, 5 p.m., Holt's Wharf. 30331.
NECKAR (Melchers) for Dairen, 5 5 p.m., Kowloon Wharf. 27772.
SUISANG (Jardines) to Calcutta, 3 p.m., Kowloon Wharf. 30311.
TAIPING (B. & S.) for Australia, noon, A.7. 30331.
TAIYO MARU (N.Y.K.) for Honolulu, midnight, Kowloon Wharf. 30291.
TJISADANE (J.C.J.L.) for Java, 10 a.m., A.2. 28015.
TJIKARSANG (J.C.J.L.) for Batavia, 11 a.m., A.5. 28015.

ARRIVING TO-MORROW

(Agents Phone Numbers Given)

BUENOS AIRES MARU (O.S.K.) from Japan, p.m. 28061.
CANTON (M.M.) from Haiphong, a.m. 26661.
EMPRESS OF CANADA (C.P.S.) from Manila, 7 a.m., Kowloon Wharf. 20752.
KIANGYUAN (B. & S.) from Hoihow, 3 p.m., West Point. 30331.
PHOTESILAUS (J.C.J.L.) from Java, a.m. 28015.
TAI SHAN (Dodwell's) from Manila. 28021.
TJINEGARA (J.C.J.L.) from Straits, noon, A.2. 28015.
YATSHING (Jardines), from Canton, 6 a.m., B.8. 30311.

ARRIVALS AND CARGOES

Nine vessels, carrying over 35,050 tons of general cargo, arrived in Port this morning and yesterday.

They are:

CITY OF BIRMINGHAM (Bank Line) Capt. F. W. Litton, from Shanghai, with four tons of general cargo for Hongkong and 4,154 tons for through ports.

DAVIKEN (Jardine's) Capt. Gustav Svane, from Swatow, with 1,600 tons of general cargo for Hongkong and 2,150 tons for through ports.

HAI LI (B. & S.) Capt. S. P. Tong, from Swatow, with 340 tons of general cargo for Hongkong and 1,360 tons for through ports.

KANCHOW (B. & S.) Capt. E. Thomas, from Swatow, with 240 tons of general cargo for Hongkong and 1,110 tons for through ports.

MEMNON (B. & S.) Capt. J. Adcock, from Manila, with 1,070 tons of general cargo for Hongkong and 2,700 tons for through ports.

NECKAR (Melchers) Capt. Herman Kerkhof, from Singapore, with 2,076 tons of general cargo for Hongkong and 9,360 tons for through ports.

PRESIDENT MONROE (Dollar) Capt. W. R. Weaver, from Shanghai with 532 tons of general cargo for Hongkong and 3,831 tons for through ports.

SUISANG (Jardine's) Capt. Thomas Hughes, from Miike, with 531 tons of general cargo for Hongkong and 1,837 tons for through ports.

TAIYUAN (B. & S.) Capt. J. K. Clark, from Amoy, with 115 tons of general cargo for Hongkong and 2,150 tons for through ports.

ZOO SHIP THROUGH HONGKONG

A large and varied collection of wild animals is being taken to Japan in the German motor ship Duisburg, which passed through Hongkong last night.

The collection included polar bears, hippopotamuses, zebras, 12 penguins from South America, a few African antelopes, 24 mandrils and other rare species of monkeys, and more than a hundred different water birds.

The "zoo" is consigned to the Gardens in Nagoya by the well-known firm of Hagenbeck's in Hamburg.

PRESIDENT COOLIDGE

The Dollar liner President Coolidge will sail from San Francisco for Manila and Hongkong *via* ports, on March 25, according to advice from the Head Office of the Line. The Coolidge will omit Los Angeles and Honolulu both on the outward and homeward trips. She is scheduled to reach Hongkong on April 9, and will sail again for San Francisco on April 10, arriving in that port on May 3, twelve days behind her original schedule.

This alteration to the Coolidge's schedule became necessary as a result of a recent collision. She left San Francisco on March 6 for the East, with 678 passengers on board. She crashed into an oil tanker almost under the Golden Gate bridge and was badly damaged. She was forced to return to her home port for repairs.

P. & O. LINERS

The s.s. Cathay will arrive in the Colony from Singapore on Thursday, March 18, at 6 a.m. and will berth at the Kowloon Wharf.

The s.s. Jeypore is expected to arrive here from Moji on Friday, March 19, at 4 p.m.

EMPRESS OF BRITAIN

The R.M.S. Empress of Britain leaves Padang Bay (Bali) at 6 p.m. to-day and is due at Manila on Saturday at 6 a.m. She is expected here on Monday next at 8 a.m.

NEW CHINESE SERVICE

The Haiheng, of the China Merchants' Steam Navigation Company, will inaugurate the new Amoy-Hongkong-Manila service, announced in the *Telegraph* yesterday, on March 27.

She is scheduled to leave Amoy on that date and will proceed direct to Manila. Leaving Manila on April 2 the vessel will arrive in Hongkong on April 4 and will proceed to Amoy on the following day.

This will be the maiden voyage on a service which theafter will be maintained at regular 10-day intervals. The Haiheng has passenger accommodation for about 600 passengers, and will also carry general cargo and mail. She is provided with spacious dining rooms, parlours and smoking rooms.

The Haiheng is a new ship. She was built in 1934 by the Barclay Curle Company Ltd., of Glasgow. Her gross displacement is 3,415 tons, and she is capable of making 12½ knots.

FATAL ACCIDENT SEQUEL

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had to swerve. She also passed several other cars.

Mr. Mackinlay remarked that Miss Fair had not looked at the speedometer, but had the impression that she was doing more like 30 miles an hour. He did not think her speed was dangerous and denied everything else the traffic officer had alleged.

His Worship fixed the afternoon of Thursday, March 25, to hear the case.

A summons against R. Johannessen, of Messrs. Wallem and Company, for speeding in the controlled area in Caine Road, was adjourned until Tuesday, March 30, at 11.30 a.m.

McNUTT DUE IN LATE APRIL

Mr. P. V. McNutt, newly appointed American High Commissioner to the Philippines, plans to leave San Francisco to take up his office on April 3. He will travel East by the Dollar liner President Hoover, arriving in Hongkong on April 22, it is learned here.

Mr. McNutt was appointed to succeed Mr. Frank Murphy, who became Democratic Governor of Michigan in the last gubernatorial elections there.

DEFENCE LOAN

Paris, Mar. 15.

The second portion of the Defence Loan, which has been fixed at 3,000,000,000, will be floated under the same conditions as the first, and the lists will close on March 25.—*Reuter.*

NOTICE TO MARINERS

Commencing March 30, 1937, an obstruction will be laid to the South Westward of Stonecutters Island and will be in position for about a month.

The obstruction will be laid within a circle of 400 yards radius with centre a position 680 yards, 246 degrees true from the Western point of Stonecutters Island.

A buoy exhibiting a Light Flashing Red every 10 seconds will be moored 1,120 yards 236 degrees true from the Western Point of Stonecutters Island.

Traffic is to pass to the Southward of this buoy. Junks and light craft may pass close Southward of Stonecutters Island but are to keep to the Northward of the Northernmost mooring buoy (unlighted) of the obstruction.

A further notice will be issued when the obstruction is removed.

DANGER TO NAVIGATION

Mariners are notified that there is a capsized junk in Latitude 22 degrees 41 minutes North and Longtitude 116 degrees and 18 minutes East.

The junk was sighted by the President Monroe which arrived here from Shanghai yesterday.

LIST OF PASSENGERS

The following left Hongkong by the s.s. President McKinley this morning for Seattle, Victoria and via ports:

Mr. S. Y. Tang, Mr. E. Whitehouse, Mr. R. E. O'Bolger, Mrs. Cheng Wan Fong, Mr. T. M. Chen, Mr. E. D. McKay, Mr. P. W. Tsou, Mr. K. S. Wen, Mr. B. M. Smith, Madam Tam, Mr. G. De Jager Meezenbroek, Mr. M. Lymbery, Mr. J. W. Fisher, Mr. T. H. Clifford, Mr. J. R. Maher, Mrs. Florence Serruys, Mr. William A. Serruys, Miss Alice Serruys, Mr. T. Lee, Mr. T. S. Chong, Miss H. Stegmaier, Mr. Chow Sai-woon, Mr. Pan Lih-yoong, Mr. and Mrs. K. K. Miller, Mr. I. B. Mohamed, Mr. Hioe Pin-hioek, Mrs. E. Seckerman, Mrs. Quon Shee, Mr. Quon Sack-king, Mrs. E. G. Turner, Mr. E. Wong Tape, Mr. M. Hendry, Mr. Cheng Ching-pak, Miss Man Moi, Mr. S. R. Schuss, Mr. T. Wong, Mr. S. Fan, Mr. E. R. Tong, Mr. S. K. Tam, Mr. Allomal Batoomal, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Kirkpatrick, Mr. Vaclay Rojt, Miss Remedious Cordero, Mr. Louie Chow, Mr. T. S. Wong, Mr. Yang Yu, Mr. T. L. Jeu, Mr. F. Ferrero, Mr. Lo Ching-yee, Mr. Richard Chan, Mr. and Mrs. Angel Gambon, Mr. Kishinchand Chainrai, Miss Lee Tury-king, and Mr. E. Q. Turner.

The following passengers for Hongkong by the s.s. President Cleveland this morning.

Mr. F. Ali, Mr. R. J. Bhavnani, Mrs. M. A. Burrell, Mr. W. Y. Chan, Mr. P. C. Chang, Mr. S. J. Chen, Dr. Chin Choow, Mr. M. Eisen, Mr. W. Y. Fai, Mr. C. S. Foo, Mr. C. C. Foo, Mr. R. G. Geer, Mr. C. C. Hon, Mr. J. E. Horton, Mrs. L. S. Jan, Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Luagewnard, Mrs. C. O. Lan, Mr. K. C. Lee, Mr. M. Y. Lo, Mrs. L. T. Ming, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Moffett, Mr. K. T. Po, Mrs. S. T. K. Quan, Mr. F. Y. Quan, Mr. Q. C. Quan, Mr. K. Y. Sam, Mrs. M. Sanne, Mr. J. Shell, and Mstr. L. S. Tong.

The following passengers are on board the Dollar S. S. Line round-the-world liner, which arrived here yesterday.

For Hongkong.—Mr. Michel Delaquaize, Mrs. E. Kirillova, Mr. N. Pessumal.

For Manila.—Mr. R. N. Kappel, Mrs. Mary Kappel, Mstr. Joseph Kappel Jr., Miss Virgina Martin, Mr. Garret Mohegan, Mr. and Mrs. Robert R. Ramsey, Mr. F. H. Venn.

For Singapore.—Mr. and Mrs. John Lewis Frey and Mstr. John Lewis Frey Jr.

For Suez.—Mrs. L. T. Owen and Mrs. Paul Shoup.

For Port Said.—Mr. and Mrs. Louis J. Rosenthal.

For Naples.—Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Coggan, Miss Caroline Morton, Mrs. A. L. Spader, Mrs. Mary Louise Swank and Miss Jeanne Drummond Swank.

For Genoa.—Mrs. Eleanor M. Parker.

For Marseilles.—Mrs. Estelle Aubrey Brown and Mrs. Gertrude G. Lowry.

For New York.—Mr. Chas. Cohn and Mr. Ted Gillroy.

For San Francisco.—Mrs. Elmer Booth.

BRITAIN CONTINUES TO STRIVE TOWARDS AIR ARMAMENT PACT

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produced with increasing speed as experience of production was gained and as new plants came into operation, but a considerable period was absolutely necessary to train really skilled pilots and navigators.

During the coming financial year they intended to train 1,175 pilots. Position with regard to airmen was equally satisfactory. During 1936 they planned to recruit over 11,000 airmen, including 2,650 apprentices and boy entrants. The present figures indicated that these hopes would be fully realised. They hoped to recruit a slightly larger number during the coming year.

Referring to Dominion co-operation, Sir Philip said there was in operation a scheme whereby pilots were trained as cadets in the Royal Australian Air Force and then serve terms of years with the Air Force in this country. Afterwards, they reverted to the Royal Australian Air Force Reserve. New Zealand was establishing a similar scheme and also a system whereby candidates who applied for the Royal Air Force were medically examined locally. The Government would welcome the adoption of a similar system by Canada, from which Dominion not fewer than 100 young men had come on their own and had been accepted for short service commissions.

Better Machines

After dealing with the satisfactory progress made regarding aerodromes, works and buildings, Sir Philip Sassoon passed on to problems of production of adequate supplies of equipment. Except for the larger aircraft of the fleet air arm the monoplane which approached most nearly to the ideal streamline form had almost entirely replaced the biplane. Difficulties of providing wings of adequate stiffness to resist twisting and bending delayed this change for many years. They had now been overcome by various methods of stressed skin construction. By continuous attention to details, such as surface smoothness, the resistance of the latest aircraft had been greatly reduced. The net result was that the striking power of the new types far surpassed that of the corresponding types of two years ago. The Government, however, were far from resting content with the design of the new machines. Active research and development were continually in progress with a view to obtaining machines of even greater speed, range and load capacity.

Referring to advances made in certain other directions, he said two new guns had been introduced for use in aircraft. One was a completely new type of Vickers gun. The other was a Browning gun which had the merit of simplicity and gave a greatly improved performance for aerial use. Arrangements had been made for its manufacture in this country.

Active research continued to exploit still further advantages of higher quality fuel. Tests of an aero-engine which gives a sustantial reduction in maintenance, as well as more rapid production and better performance, had been most encouraging and it was about to go for service trials.

Quantity Production

Finally, over the whole field of aircraft components, accessory, equipment and wireless apparatus, great emphasis was being placed on standardisation of types and simplicity of design, with the object of assisting quantity production. The Air Ministry were doing their utmost to expedite production of aircraft and were aiming at reducing the number of types.

Sir Philip described the policy regarding shadow factories as a practical policy which not only created a war potential but also reinforced production and did not interfere with normal industry. Satisfactory progress, he said, was being made with the erection of factories, both for production of air frames and aero-engines.

A careful review was being made of requirements of raw materials of which there would be a risk of shortage in time of war. Arrangements had already been made for the purchase of reserve stocks of certain essential products. Provision was being made for obtaining adequate reserves of petrol and oil and for storing them in places least accessible to air attack.—*British Wireless.*

EXCHANGE RATES

	Mar. 12.	Mar. 15.
Paris	106.15/32	106.13/32
Geneva	21.44	21.45
Berlin	12.14½	12.15
Athens	547½	547½
Milan	92⅛	92⅛
Copenhagen	22.40	22.40
Stockholm	19.39½	19.39½
Oslo	19.00	19.00
Shanghai	1/2 5/16	1/2 5/16
New York	4.88 1/16	4.88.10/32
Amsterdam	8.93⅞	8.93⅞
Vienna	26½	26½
Prague	140 1/16	140 1/16
Madrid	Nom.	Nom.
Lisbon	110 3/16	110 3/16
Hongkong	1/2⅛	1/2⅛
Bombay	1/6⅛	1/6⅛
Montreal	4.88 3/16	4.88¾
Brussels	20.98½	20.00
Yokohama	1/2	1/2
Belgrade	213	213
Monte Video	39⅞	39⅞
Rio	4¾	4¾
Bucharest	667½	667½
Silver (forward)	20⅛	20¾
Silver (Spot)	20⅛	20¾
War Loan	101⅞	101⅝

—*British Wireless.*

TOBACCO IMPORTS

London, Mar. 15.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer, answering a Parliamentary question, said the approximate net amount of revenue derived from imported tobacco during 1936 was £77,770,000.

POST OFFICE.

INWARD MAILS

Japan and Shanghai	General Pershing	March 16.
Shanghai and Swatow	Kanchow	March 16.
Hoihow	Muinam	March 16.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 6th March.	**R.M.A. Dorado**	**March 16.**
Calcutta and Straits	Sirdhana	March 16.
Japan	Buenos Aires Maru	March 17.
Haiphong	Canton	March 17.
Manila	Emp. of Canada	March 17.
Haiphong, Pakhoi and Hoihow	Kingyuan	March 17.
Straits	Protesilaus	March 17.
Straits and Europe via Suez (Letters and Papers) London, 18th Feb. and London Parcels—London date, 11th February.	Cathay	March 19.
	Hosang	March 18.
Calcutta, Straits and Saigon	Kitano Maru	March 18.
Australia and Manila	Kwangtung	March 18.
Shanghai and Swatow	Mayebashi Maru	March 18.
Straits		

OUTWARD MAILS

Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m., registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

For	Per	Date and Time.
Tuesday		
Air Mail for "France Orient Service" —Due Marseilles, 28th March	Cape St. Francis	Tues., Mar. 16. G. P. O. & K. P. O. Reg., Mar. 16, 3.30 p.m. Letters, Mar. 16, 4.00 p.m.
Samshui and Wuchow	Tai Ming	Tues., Mar. 16, 4.00 p.m.
Saigon	Cape St. Francis	Tues., Mar. 16, 4.30 p.m.
Straits	Australien	Tues., Mar. 16, 4.30 p.m.
Manila	General Pershing	Tues., Mar. 16, 5 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Central and South America, *Canada, and *Europe via San Francisco and *Europe via Siberia (Due San Francisco, 9th April).	Taiyo Maru	Tues., Mar. 16. Reg., Tues., Mar. 16, 5 p.m. Letters Tues., Mar. 16, 5.30 p.m.
Air Mail for Swatow, Amoy, Foochow and North China (via Shanghai)	C.N.A.C. plane	Tues., Mar. 16. Shenngwan P.O. Reg., Mar. 16, 5 p.m. Letters, Mar. 16, 7 p.m. G.P.O. Reg., Mar. 16, 5 p.m. Letters, Mar. 17, 5 a.m.
Wednesday		
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Fukuken Maru	Wed., Mar. 17, 8.30 a.m.
*Manila	Pres. Monroe	Wed., Mar. 17, 10 a.m.
*Swatow and Bangkok	Kiangsu	Wed., Mar. 17, 1.30 p.m.
Amoy	Taiyuan	Wed., Mar. 17, 3.30 p.m.
Swatow *Amoy and Foochow	Haitan	Wed., Mar. 17, 3.00 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Cleveland	Wed., Mar. 17, 4.00 p.m.
Thursday		
Swatow, *Amoy and Foochow	Nanchang	Thurs., Mar. 18, 8.30 a.m.
Hoihow	Muinam	Thurs., Mar. 18, 9.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa	Buenos Aires Maru	Thurs., Mar. 18, 2.30 p.m.
Swatow	Daviken	Thurs., Mar. 18, 2.30 p.m.
Shanghai, *Japan, Honolulu, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America and *Europe via Vancouver B.C. (Parcels for Canada only).	Emp. of Canada	Thurs., Mar. 18. Parcels, Mar. 18, 4 p.m. Reg., Mar. 18, 5 p.m. Letters, Mar. 18, 5.30 p.m.
(Due Vancouver, B.C., 7th April.) Japan	Kitano Maru	Thurs., Mar. 18, 5.00 p.m.

*Superscribed correspondence only.

U.S. Admiral Bereaved

MRS. E. J. MARQUART PASSES AWAY

Information has just been received in Hongkong of the death at Hankow of Mrs. Edward J. Marquart, wife of Rear-Admiral Marquart, U.S.N., commander of the Yangtze Patrol.

Mrs. Marquart died of pneumonia in the International Hospital at Hankow last week, after a brief illness.

Physicians, in a desperate effort to save her life, rushed serum from Shanghai to Hankow by plane, but she was dead before the plane arrived. A blood transfusion was also without effect. It is understood that the body will be sent to the United States for burial.

Rear-Admiral and Mrs. Marquart left Shanghai for Hankow only a week ago, when her husband, formerly stationed in the Philippines, took over command of the Yangtse Patrol.

Mrs. Marquart made several visits to Honkong during her three years in the East, and was last here in February, when she passed through en route to Shanghai. She had a host of friends throughout the East.

She was formerly Miss Marie Scanlon, marrying Rear-Admiral Marquart in 1917.

SHARE PRICES

The following is the list of local share quotations issued this morning.

Banks.

H. K. Bank, $1,660 n.
H. K. Banks, (Lon. Reg.), 116 n.
Chartered Bank, £15⅞ n.
Merchantile Bank, A. and B. £33⅜ n.
Mercantile Bank, C., £15¾ n.
East Asia Bank, $85 n.

Insurances.

Canton In., $315 b.
Union In., $628 b.
China Underwriters, 05 cts. b.
H. K. Fire In., $295 b.
Internat'l Assce., Sh. $4¼ n.

Shipping.

Douglas, $35½ b.
H. K. Steamboats, $10¼ n.
Indo-Chinas (Prof.), $35 n.
Indo-Chinas (Def.), $36 n.
Shell (Bearer), 148/1½ n.
Union Waterboats, $10 n.

Docks etc.

H. K. Wharves (old), $112 b.
H. K. & W. Docks, $30 b.
Providents (old), $2.10 b.
Providents (new), 20 cts. n.
New Engineerings, Sh. $3 n.
Shanghai Docks, Sh. $104 n.

Mining.

Kailan Mining Ar., 20/6 n.
Raubs, $12.85 b.
Venz: Goldfield $8 n.

Philippine Mining.

Antamoks, P. 1.40
Atoks, P. .41
Baguio Gold, P. .27
Balatoc Min., P. .14¼
Benguet Cons. P. 13¾
Benguet Expl. P. .16
Big Wedge, P. .26½
Coco Gove, P. .60
Consolidated Mines, P. .042
Demonstations, P. .90
E. Mindanao, P. .31½
Gum Gold, P. .26
Ipo Gold, P. .28
I. X. L., P. 1.40
Itogons, P. 1.35
Masbate Cons., P. .42½
Min. Resc., P. .37
Northern Min., P. .12½
Paracale Gumaus, P. .62
Salacot Min. P. .6¾
San Mauicio, P. 2.00
Suyoc Consols, P. .39
United Paracale, P. .97

Lands, Hotels, etc.

H. and S. Hotels, $6.75 b.
H. K. Lands, $35½ b.
H. K. Lands, 4% Deben. $105 n.
S'hai Lands, Sh. $16 n.
Metropolitan Lands, Sh. $10. n.
Humphries, $9 n.
H. K. Realties, $5.80 b.
Chinese Estates, $76 n.
China Realties, Sh. $4 n.
China Debent. $60 n.

Public Utilities.

H. K. Tramways, $14.00 b.
Peak Trams, (old), $4.25 b.
Peak Trams. (new), $1 n.
Star Ferries, $88½ sa.
Yaumati Ferries (old), $25 n.
China Lights, $14¼ sa.
China Lights, (new), $11.10 n.
H. K. Electric, $58 b.
Macao Electric, $20 n.
Sandakan Lights, $11.30 n.
Telephone (old), $20¾ b.
Telephone (new), $12 b. and sa.
China Buses, Sh. $9¼ n.
Singapore Tractions, 27/6 n.
Singapore Pref., 25/— n.

Industrials.

Cald: Macg. (old), Sh. $10½ n.
Cald: Macg. (Pref.), Sh. $17 n.
Canton Ices, $2 n.
Cement, $13.70 b.
H. K. Ropes, $4 b. and sa.

Stores, &c.

Dairy Farm, $26 b.
Watson, $4.90 b.
Lane Crawfords, $7 b.
Sinceres, $2½ n.
Wing On (H.K.), $50 n.

Cotton Mills.

Ewo Cottons, Sh. $15.35 b.
S'hai Cottons, (old), Sh. $115 b.
S'hai Cottons, (new), Sh. $90 b.
Zoong Sings, $31 n.
Wing On Textiles, Sh. $44 n.

Miscellaneous.

H. K. Entertainments, $4¼ n.
Constructions (old), $1.60 n.
Constructions (new), 42½ cts. b.
Vibro Piling, $7 b.
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925 G$Bds. 96% n.
H. K. Govt. 4% Loan 8% prm. n.
H. K. Govt. 3½% Loan 1¾% prm. n.
Wallace Harpers, $4 n.
Marsmans Inv., (Lond.) s/— 20/6 n.
Marsmans Inv., (H.K.), s/— 10/- n.

Puss, perched on top of cage, is intensely interested in carryings-on of canaries who, safe behind wire-netting, disdainfully ignore him. A Kowloon photo.

EXCHANGE

Selling

T.T.	1s.2.27/32
Demand	1s.2.27/32
T.T. Shanghai	101½
T.T. Singapore	52⅝
T.T. Japan	100
T.T. India	81¾
T.T. U.S.A.	30⅞
T.T. Manila	60⅞
T.T. Batavia	54⅞
T.T. Bangkok	149⅞
T.T. Saigon	65⅝
T.T. France	6.58
T.T. Germany	74¾
T.T. Switzerland	132
T.T. Australia	1/6⅞

Buying

4 m/s. L/C London	1/3.1/32
4 m/s. D/P do	1/3⅛
4 m/s. L/C U.S.A.	30⅝
4 m/s. France	6.90
30 d/s. India	82⅞
U.S. Cross rate in London	4.88⅞

MANILA SHARES

The following opening quotations and closing business done quotations of the morning session were received by Swan, Culbertson & Fritz from their Manila office:

	Price in Pesos Opening Buyers	Rates Sellers	Business Done
Antamok	1.40	1.40	
Abk	.39½	.42	.42
Baguio Gold	.26	.27½	.27
Benguet Cons.	13.75	18.75	
Benguet Explor.		.16	.15
Big Wedge	.26	.28	.27
Coco Grove	.58	.60	.61
Consolidated Mines	.0410	.0430	.0420
Demonstration	.87		.80
East Mindanao	.30½		.38
Gumaus Goldfields	.24½		.26
Itogon	1.30	1.40	1.36
I. X. L.	1.35	1.40	1.40
Masbate	.42	.43	.43
Mineral Resources	.35½	.38	.37½
Northern Mining	.12	.13½	.13
Paracale Gumaus	.60	.65	.64
San Mauricio	2.30	2.60	2.60
Suyoc	.37	.40	.39
United Paracale	.95	.98	.97

Market—Steady.

BRITISH INTERESTS GUARDED

RESPECTING TREATY PORT LEASES

London, Mar. 15.

In the House of Commons to-day, Sir Charles Cayzer (Conservative) asked whether, as a result of the counter-proposals submitted to the Japanese Government by the British Ambassador in Tokyo, a settlement satisfactory to the British Leaseholders' Committee had now been reached concerning the cancellation of perpetual leases in Treaty ports held by British subjects.

Lord Cranbourne, replying for the Government, said:—"Yes. An agreement has now been reached on the basis of the proposals presented by the British Ambassador." He added that he was expecting shortly to hear that Notes had been exchanged between the Ambassador and the Japanese Foreign Minister giving effect to the agreement.

Replying to a further question by Sir Charles, Lord Cranbourne said no settlement had been reached with regard to the Keelung incident, in which British naval men were tortured, but the matter was being actively discussed between the Ambassador in Tokyo and the Japanese Foreign Minister.—*Reuter.*

MORTGAGE DEBTS

London, Mar. 15.

Replying in the House of Commons to-day to Captain A. C. Moreing (Conservative) concerning Chinese mortgage debts, Lord Cranbourne said he was expecting a report on the matter from the British Ambassador.—*Reuter.*

HONGKONG SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN (Women's Auxiliary).

CHARITY BALL

Under the distinguished patronage of His Excellency the Governor and Lady Caldecott, at the Peninsula Hotel on

FRIDAY, APRIL 9,
from 9.30 p.m. to 2 a.m.

NORMAN BROOKS' BAND: SPECIAL CABARET ATTRACTIONS

Tickets, $4 each (including supper) can be obtained from the Hongkong and Peninsula Hotels or from members of the Women's Auxiliary.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

TUESDAY, MARCH 16, 1937.

LUNATICS AND LEPERS

One of the Colony's most urgent needs, which was fully realised by Sir William Peel during his Governorship, and is also just as keenly recognised by Sir Andrew Caldecott, is the provision of a properly equipped and adequately staffed Mental Hospital. It is to be hoped that the impending change of Governors, consequent on Sir Andrew's appointment to Ceylon, will not result in this matter be pigeon-holed. For more years than we care to remember has the subject appeared in Budget debates, but various reasons have intervened to cause delay in a matter which ought to have been taken in hand fully twenty years ago. Latterly, financial stringency has been the factor. More than one site has been officially ear-marked for the erection of the asylum; the last was the area originally set aside for the Central British School, near the Kowloon Hospital. Since then there have been various other tentative suggestions, among the latest being the idea of locating the institution somewhere in the New Territories. No-one who has visited the present so-called Mental Hospital can have seen conditions there without realising the utter inadequacy and unsuitability of the premises for the purposes which they are supposed to fulfil. The place can only be described as a prison—and a very out-of-date and objectionable prison at that. So far from contributing to the recovery of patients, we can imagine no place more likely to drive the inmates to insanity. Not only is the asylum quite unsuited for what may be termed ordinary cases of insanity, but there are types which provide the authorities with a very real problem, in that there is no institution in the Colony where proper treatment thereof can be provided. What is obviously needed is a modern asylum, in charge of an experienced alienist. It need not be a big, costly institution, and the idea of locating it in the New Territories, where the inmates would be able to engage in healthful outdoor pursuits, has much to commend it. The matter is one which we commend to the attention of Unofficial members of the Legislative Council, with a view to pressure being brought to bear to remove a reproach from which the Colony has too long suffered. It must be assumed that our Unofficials have, at one time or another, as visiting Justices of the Peace, seen for themselves how far short of what is needed the existing Mental Hospital falls. They should, therefore, be under no delusions concerning the necessities. And at the same time, we urge that they should take up the question of the provision of a much-needed Leprosarium, which might with advantage also be established in the New Territories.

The MIRACLE of MICHIGAN

COMFORTABLE America has been frightened by the successful auto-strike. It has upset the big employers, who could always depend on their gunmen, by showing that the workers have a weapon against which neither spies nor tear gas are of much use.

The internal spy systems have so far prevented mass organisation in the mass-production industries.

But spies cannot stop a hundred thoroughly irritated men stopping the nerve centre of an intricate plant, and throwing the whole assembly line out of gear.

The thing happens before the stool-pigeon can run to tell the boss. Either the spy has to sit-down as well . . . or "isn't it just too bad what happens to him?"

Several trusted weapons proved useless in Michigan. The large consignments of tear and emetic gases shown to the journalists as a warning are useless in the open air. The wind blows the stuff away.

What is its use in a sit down strike? It may smoke out the men, but a drift may make the sacred office department equally unsafe.

A sit down strike is the Nemesis of mass production. A few men can stop the whole intricate organisation, so the union withdraws only the vitally necessary men. The surplus labour is left in the employer's hands, not the unions.

The pet device of forcing workers to sign loyalty cards becomes futile. The union told the men to sign the loyalty cards.

"Of course our men signed 'em. Gee, why shouldn't they? We don't want all the union men fired. They know they can't go back to work while we are out, so what?" said Bud, in charge of the "toughest babies" among the strike pickets.

Political managers are as worried as Big Business, because, for the first time in a large-scale dispute, the workers have felt the value of organised political power.

"We backed you, Roosevelt. You can't turn the guns on us," said the union men. Though the sheriff, in hysterics, had armed every thug brought in from Chicago and Detroit, only once did he dare break out.

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It was the organised backing of labour, not a mere wave of emotion, that secured that eleven-million majority for Mr. Roosevelt.

In every union office his portraits were displayed as though he had been a Labour candidate. The Democratic Party is anxious to keep that vote for the unpredictable next time.

Lewis is being blamed for precipitating a strike, which he didn't want, and which, but for such favourable factors, might have wrecked his careful plans. The $500,000 fund raised last year for the organising of the steelworkers, largely by a dollar a head levy on the miners, is nearly spent.

"Sit-down strikes are the Nemesis of mass production."

In Detroit and Toledo and Flint, I talked with organisers who had been out on that dangerous job. They had been hounded by sheriffs, run out of town by Vigilante thugs, but their work had succeeded beyond even their hopes.

Men like Joe Dietzel, smashed by thugs in Saginaw, near Flint, while actually under police protection, forgot bruises and broken bones when telling of their work in steel. "We can't even convince Lewis of how much backing there is for the strike this spring . . . even beyond our signed-up cards," they said.

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Wall Street's operators, in this period of booming armaments, didn't want the show-down in steel. They know wages there are too bad, grievances too spectacular. Autos are America's best paid industry.

To fight the new organising drive where it had made least headway meant calling off the experienced organisers from the steel plants.

This is not to say that General Motors directors started the sit-down. But it did happen that from insignificant plants in Georgia and Kansas came the impetus that swept through the almost unorganised Michigan industry.

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What is the miracle of Michigan? Why is Wall Street worried?

"Now for the fight in steel and coal" everyone was saying as I left U.S.A. If autos, with less than 20 per cent. organised when the strike started, can pull off the victory that they have done, what will happen in the well-organised mines. . . with Governor Earle in charge of the armed forces of Pennsylvania, and his eye on the democratic nomination next time? Or steel? Pittsburgh is also in Pennsylvania.

The leadership and the organisation, improvised as it had to be, struck me as pretty good. Commander-in-chief of the whole Michigan Front was Adolph Germer, trained and experienced in the biggest American Federation of Labour fights.

At Flint were young men like Robert Travis, Powers Hapgood, (well-known from Labour conferences in England) and Bud Symons, straight from the bench, as fascinating an Irishman as ever slugged a scab for the good of his soul.

There was no strike pay, of course. Dorothy Kraus, a young Labour journalist, who is one of the rising young women of America, organised the Women's Emergency Committee, consisting of the strikers' wives, for feeding the pickets. At odd moments she organised and rehearsed the Living Newspaper of the Strike.

This was a parody on the events of the strike and, acted by the strikers, was a wild success.

The strikers' wives were naturally worried about the Vigilantes—Fascist thugs armed by the Sheriff.

But they roared with joy at a satire on the local Vigilante meeting—"and then somehow they, aren't afraid any more," said wise Mary Heaton Vorse, the well-known writer, who went down to help.

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At Detroit the Bakers' Union simply took over the feeding of the thousands of strikers and sent relays of union men. Two of the chefs on duty when I went to address a meeting of the Chevrolet men were working in big hotels in the city, and came straight off duty to give their services to the strikers.

The efficiency of that kitchen-cafeteria made me wonder why slave-driving foremen are considered necessary.

Cleveland strikers had a specially difficult racial problem, which has made organisation difficult. Groups of workers do not even understand each others' language.

But to cut through the barriers, each national group took it in turns to provide their national dishes for the day and the cooking was marvellous.

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Suffering from diminished prestige anyway just now, Wall Street is trying to stop the rot in its usually docile public opinion. To counteract criticism, huge posters all over the States are advertising "The American Way."

The "Shorter Hours" poster, which shows the American worker picnicking in the sunshine with his family, causes more blasphemous remarks than the "High Standard of Living" poster, with its attractive views of the radio and refrigerator in a worker's home, and car in foreground.

The American worker admits his gadgets on instalments. But the high speed of the assembly line and the automatic press does not leave much energy for picnics when the eight-hour intensity is over.

At the University of Chicago, experienced motion study men were shaking their heads over an increased speed-up which they said was becoming beyond human endurance.

To have some say in the speed of the conveyor belt is what the auto-worker means by collective bargaining.

Speed-up, not wage claims, supplied the driving energy which produced the miracle of the Michigan strikes.

To-day's Thought

SOME people take more care to hide their wisdom than their folly.

—SWIFT.

TELL DEMOCRACY THE TRUTH

By "AN OLD STAGER"

THERE are some people in this country who believe, or think they believe, there is urgent need at this time for a strong, silent, dictator, some British Mussolini or Hitler who will dragoon everybody to his will, and clean up in the twinkling of an eyelid all our political, economic, and social problems.

Those who hold sincerely to this view are of two quite distinct categories. The vast majority, the would-be obedient and homage-paying disciples of this miracle-worker, are simpletons of the same order who swallow every word of the most egregious quack advertisements. They would be equally enthusiastic and convinced followers of table-rapping and clanking-ghost superstitions.

The minority, small and extremely select, are persons who secretly but firmly believe they could, with their hands in their own pockets, lay those hands on the appropriate candidate for Chief or Assistant-Deputy Dictator.

Yet even normal persons, quite outside both those well-marked categories, must occasionally feel that there is an opening for some inspired and inspiring leadership in Great Britain to-day. My own feeling is that we could very well "do," to use a vulgarism that is expressive and not American with an intellectual dictator.

In short what we need at this epoch is another Dr. Samuel Johnson, a sincerely learned and clear-sighted critic, gifted with an even uncouth power of passionate assertion, who would tell us, if we may still pursue the primrose path of pure vulgarism, just where we get off the bus.

DELUSIONS PREFERRED

I am temperamentally and constitutionally averse from dictatorship of the governing and administrative order. But I believe a purely educational dictatorship, by the right man, if he could be found, might do us all the good imaginable.

Unfortunately for us we have just lost even our great paradoxical epigrammatist. G.K.C. is no more amongst us. He fell short of the full stature of Boswell's hero, but his scathing comments did help to scarify the mentally hysterical and intellectually impulsive. Perhaps the finest thing G.K.C. ever said was his remark that Christianity has not been tried and found wanting, but has been found difficult and not tried.

That caustic criticism cuts to the roots of a good many modern cocksure theories. Indeed, the cardinal crime of this age, certainly in this country, is a refusal to face awkward facts, but to prefer conveniently easy delusions.

Just take a casual glance around. At present our politics is mainly concerned with foreign affairs. Our deadly obsession is another great war. Our sheet anchor is the League of Nations. Even the quite ordinary public schoolboy knows, not to mention such a precocious little intellectual snob as Macaulay's classic infant, that the League of Nations as it is now constituted and functions is about as useful as a sick headache. But since, in this materialistic age, Geneva is our only refuge from the slings and arrows of outrageous militarism, most of us refuse to recognise that palpable fact, and prefer to go on clinging to a non-existent rock of ages.

NON-INTERVENTION MYTH

Take the Spanish civil war, now being most furiously and scientifically waged and equipped for Spaniards by cosmopolitan experts of all nations. None of the cold-drawn, angle-ironed facts prevent many of us devoutly persisting with that pretty fiction, the Non-Intervention Committee. Sheer hallucination, but, oh, so comforting!

Just the same psychological kink is disclosed in other relations of everyday life. We used to be troubled by the monstrous legions of our unemployed. They were a sort of perpetual nightmare. But now we have made the interesting official discovery that it is better to quote the statistics of employment instead. That enables us to shake off the bad dream of unemployed workers. Any subterfuge to dodge the unpleasant facts of existence.

My only amazement is that now, instead of quoting our mortality statistics at so many dead per hundred thousand of the population, we do not reverse the process, and enumerate the surviving proportion. It would look ever so much nicer and brighter. After all, our enterprising seaside resorts have set us a fine example. They advertise their daily portion of sunshine, not their ration of rain.

Another typical example of mental side-stepping is our traffic scandal. We are incurring an average of about 150 deaths and four or five thousand lesser casualties every week on our high roads. In the last eleven years well over seventy thousand people have been done to death on the roads, and about a million and a half at least more or less badly hurt. A shocking proportion of these have been young children, the citizens we are being gloomily assured we shall badly need in the years of reduced birthrate just ahead.

VICTIMS OF SPEED

We are beginning to become quite perturbed by this steady and increasing holocaust. Every imaginable remedy is being suggested—except the obvious one of reducing speed. Only a few regrettable cranks or moral perverts venture to whisper that one, and they are promptly hush-hushed off the stage. Why not speak up boldly, and, if we really think so, state outright that no amount of human casualties can be permitted to hold up the onward march of mechanical evolution and rapid human progress? One could at least respect the honesty of that attitude. Pecksniffian pretence and official humbug are merely disgusting.

It is an old joke that nobody was ever made unwell by the champagne or port wine. It is always the salmon mayonnaise that lets us down after the junketing. This very

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BECOMING GREAT AIR MAIL POST

H.K. IN POSITION OF IMPORTANCE

Following negotiations between the Australian, United States and Hongkong Governments, Hongkong is to become one of the biggest air post offices in the world.

Pending inauguration of a direct service between the United States and Australia, expected next September, air mail between the two countries will be routed via Hongkong.

Rates will vary from 20 to 75 cents (U.S. currency) per half ounce.

In the case of letters destined for Australia, utilisation of air mail via Hongkong will mean a saving of 21 days over existing steamship routes.

Air mail will be accepted throughout the United States for despatch, via Hongkong, to New Zealand, Australia, New Guinea, Dutch East Indies, Malaya, India, China and Japan.

Nearly all of this mail will be resorted in Hongkong and despatched by quickest route to its destinations. In the case of mail for Australia, India, New Zealand and the Dutch East Indies, Imperial Airways will be used. C.N.A.C. planes will convey all mail for northern ports.

The first Pan-American Airways Clipper plane for Hongkong is expected to leave Alameda Airport on April 21, arriving here a week later.

For the initial stages, Macao will be made a subsidiary airport of call, the Clippers calling there as well as at Hongkong. Hongkong will be the terminal base, however, and the giant machines will be housed overnight in the Kai Tak hangar. Special provision has been made for hauling them from the harbour to the hangar, where thorough overhauls will be made by Pan-American ground engineers each week.

Trinidad Of High Value To Empire

RICH SUPPLIES OF OIL

Port of Spain, Mar. 15.

Sir John Cadman, on the eve of his departure from Trinidad, after a fortnight's investigation of the Colony's oil resources, declared that the main supply had not yet been even tapped.

Sir John expressed the opinion that the present supply, which makes Trinidad the largest producer of petroleum in the Empire, was furnished merely by seepage from prolific oil-bearing rocks below the surface.

He emphasised that Trinidad should be a naval and air base for the Empire, pointing out that with its landlocked harbour, it occupied a strategic position in respect of oil supplies.—*Reuter.*

Opium Bound For U.S.A.

BIG HAUL FROM THE "IXION"

An attempt to smuggle over $20,000 worth of opium to the United States was frustrated by a party of revenue officers under Revenue Officer W. Ward when they searched the No. 2 hold of the Blue Funnel liner Ixion on Monday and found 2,500 taels of non-Government prepared opium cleverly concealed in a ladder support.

The ship's boatswain, Lam King, 33, was charged before Mr. Barnett at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning with having been in possession of the opium and causing a breach of the Opium Ordinance by using the Ixion for the storage of opium. He admitted that the opium had been destined for Seattle, where the vessel was bound, and where it would have been received by an agent.

A fine of $5,000, or six months' hard labour, and 12 months' imprisonment without the option of a fine, was imposed.

Body Hanging On Railings

GRUESOME FIND BY POLICE

A gruesome discovery was made by the police yesterday when they found the body of a man hanging from the street railings in Wah Hing Lane. The body was later identified as that of Lo So, living in No. 4 Wah Hing Lane, and was removed to the Public Mortuary.

A 55-year-old coolie, Leung Hing-yuen, residing at No. 35 Nam Chang Street, in Shamshuipo, attempted to end his life yesterday by jumping into the harbour from the Yaumati ferry launch Mah Chi. He was rescued by Kwok Lok, boatman of sampan No. 544C, and was taken to the Kowloon Hospital suffering from the effects of immersion.

SCRAP METAL THEFTS

SEVERAL MORE CASES DEALT WITH

Further cases of possession of scrap metal were dealt with by Mr. K. Keen at the Central Magistracy this morning.

Two marine hawkers, Chan Sing, 74, and Chan Cheng, 34, were charged with unlawful possession of 125 lbs. of white lead and 20 catties of brass at Wing Lok Street yesterday.

Both accused denied guilty knowledge, the first saying he had bought the metal from a junk at Causeway Bay, and the second said he also bought them from a junk.

Detective-Sergeant D. Davies said that about 11 a.m. yesterday, two district watchmen saw the defendants enter the Fuk Yee marine store dealers in Wing Lok Street. They had with them a quantity of scrap metal, the lead and brass which had been taken off a motor lorry, parked outside the store. After waiting a few moments, the watchmen entered the store and asked defendants where they had obtained the metal from. The two men replied they were marine hawkers and earned a living by buying pieces of scrap metal and other junk from ships in the harbour. Chan Sing told the police he had engaged Chan Cheng to carry the metal for him to the lorry to be taken to the store, but Chan Cheng later admitted he had been with first accused the whole time when the metal was purchased from a motor boat.

The brass, which was used in the manufacture of electric torches, was actually worth 80 cents a catty, but Chan Sing had said he bought it for 25 cents a catty. On the lorry when defendants were first seen to enter the shop were about 468 catties of scrap iron, but defendants were not charged with possession of this as the store people had mixed it up with a large quantity of their own scrap metal.

Defendants were remanded for 24 hours to enable them to find the people from whom the scrap was purchased.

Wong Nun, aged 26, shop boy, was charged with the theft of a pewter Chinese chopstick stand from No. 69 Jervois Street, the property of Wong Hop-kui, master of the Yu Mau Teahouse.

Detective-Sergeant A. F. Cochrane said defendant was stopped by a district watchman while carrying a cloth bundle. This was opened and found to contain the pewter stand in a broken condition. Defendant then admitted he had taken it from the teahouse. It was worth $9 when new.

Complainant told the Court that there was no necessity for defendant to steal, as he was given 60 cents a day for his meals.

Sentence of one month's hard labour was imposed.

MORE CASES

Several other cases came before Mr. W. Schofield at Central Magistracy this morning.

Kong Sung, a 34-year-old P.W.D. quarry coolie, was given four months' hard labour for larceny of a quantity of electric cables and wire at King's Road, the property of the Hongkong Tramways, Ltd.

Sub-Inspector Hallam said that in consequence of information received he went with a party of police to 11 Wing Yuen Street where defendant was found scraping the cable. He said he had dug them out in King's Road near the Tsang Pack Piano Company, where the old tram lines were. Their value was $50.

Pleading guilty to larceny by servant of 81 brass door handles from 84 Broadwood Road, Yau Chak, 21, unemployed, was bound over in $75 to be of good behaviour for one year. The value of the metal was $7.

Two months' hard labour was imposed on Li Nam, an unemployed man of 22, who pleaded guilty to larceny of an iron piping from a P.W.D. yard in Lockhart Road. Inspector Logan prosecuted.

For possession of 168 metal door handles at Causeway Bay Road on March 13, Ma Sik-man, an unlicensed marine hawker of 37, was fined $50, or six weeks.

Sub-Inspector Hallam said defendant was stopped and in a gunny bag he was carrying were found the handles. He said he had bought them from a man in Bay View but could not find him.

Small Child Kidnapped

MOTHER AND SON APPEAR IN DOCK

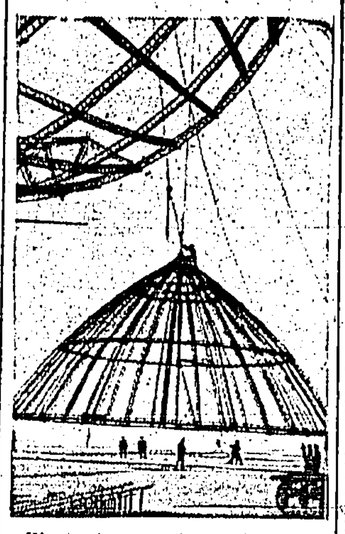
Charged with kidnapping a four-year-old boy, an aged widow, Chan Oi, 60, and her son, Wong Ko, 26, basket-maker, were remanded for 24 hours by Mr. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning. They pleaded that they had seen the child alone in the Street, and had decided to take it to the country.

Inspector W. R. Chester-Woods said that about 7 p.m. on Friday, the boy had gone out of his house to play. When his mother came out to call him about half an hour later, she found he was gone, and made a report at the Shamshuipo Police Station.

Some time after nine o'clock that night, a Chinese detective on duty at the Canton steamer wharf, saw the old woman hurrying along the gangway to get on board, with the boy on her back. Suspicious, because of the absence of baggage and the disparity of ages between them, he stopped her and asked her what she was doing with the child. She said he was her grandson.

Just then, second defendant came up and claimed to be her son and uncle of the boy. They were taken to the Central Police Station for enquiries where it was discovered that the child had been kidnapped.

SKY GIANT BUILDING



Bigger than anything which has ever flown, Germany's LZ-130, now in process of construction at Friedrichshafen, will become queen of the zeppelin fleet when she is launched in the autumn.

JAPY ON HIS WAY HOME

NARROWLY MISSED RICH PRIZE

M. Japy, the intrepid French aviator who opened the series of attacks on the Paris-Tokyo route with a record-breaking dash to Hongkong in less than three days, is passing through here on his way home aboard the French Mail liner Bernardin de St. Pierre on Tuesday.

Japy came nearest to winning the 400,000 francs prize offered by the French Air Ministry for the first flier to do the distance in less than 100 hours, crashing into a hill in Japan almost within sight of his goal. The aviator was badly injured and his machine wrecked. Several later attempts by his compatriots failed much earlier on the way, Japy being the only one to reach Hongkong.

It is stated that Messrs. Pisanoy and Cornet, who left Paris a week ago supposedly bound for Tokyo, were actually making a leisurely trip to Hanoi.

No Agreement On Armaments

Washington, Mar. 15.

It is reported that Britain has so far failed to bring Japan to an agreement to limit the size of naval guns to 14 inches, regarding which the London Treaty deadline is April 1.

It is understood that the Japanese feel that the question is too narrow to bind themselves without a general treaty.

Japanese officials here say they do not know how the Tokyo Government has replied to Britain, if at all. Similarly, American officials disclaim any knowledge of the Tokyo Government's moves, but add that they understand that Japan has not recently replied favourably.—*United Press.*

"EASY MONEY" POLICY

Washington, March 15.

In a statement here to-day, Mr. Marriner Eccles, Chairman of the Federal Reserve Board, corrected what he characterised as an erroneous interpretation of his position regarding credit and monetary policies.

He said that he favours the continuation of the "easy money" policy while there are still large numbers of unemployed in the United States.

However, he added he favours "increasing the taxes on incomes and profits, if they are necessary to sustain the volume of relief funds, and simultaneously to balance the budget and to permit the paring of the public debt as private debt expands."—*United Press.*

TIN PRICES QUERIED

CONTROL COMMITTEE MEETING SOON

London, Mar. 15.

Replying to a question in the House of Commons with regard to the increasing price of tin, Captain Euan Wallace, Secretary for Overseas Trade, in a written answer, said the International Tin Committee has the position under constant review.

Captain Wallace added that he understood that the Committee was holding a further meeting on March 18.—*Reuter.*

SWEDISH PREMIER'S VISIT

London, Mar. 15.

Dr. Sandler, Premier of Sweden, is flying to England from Stockholm to-day. Whilst in London he will discuss general topics of interest to both countries with the Foreign Office.—*Reuter Bulletin Service.*

DEATH FOLLOWS FIGHT

MANSLAUGHTER CASE AT SESSIONS

A fight in Ship Street, culminating in the death of a paint-scraper employed at the Royal Naval Yard, was described at the Criminal Sessions this morning, when Wong Chuen, 21, was charged with the manslaughter of a man named Ah Hung.

Accused, it will be remembered, pleaded guilty when he was originally brought up yesterday, but his plea was not accepted by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, who ordered that he be tried. The following jury was empanelled: Messrs. J. McCormack (foreman), F. M. Britto, Raymond Pang, Chan Yew-ho, E. R. Hearther, George Y. K. Sun and W. M. Gittins.

Appearing for the Crown, Mr. E. H. Williams, Assistant Attorney-General, said that both accused and deceased lived at 44 Ship Street, ground floor, and were employed as paint-scrapers in the Royal Naval Yard. About 9 a.m. on January 27, the day of the incident, a quarrel arose between them while they were working in the yard with another man named Ah Pin. The quarrel originated through Ah Yin striking deceased at the back of the head and putting the blame on accused. Deceased believed this and struck accused on the knee. On their return to 44 Ship Street, they resumed their quarrel, finally coming to blows. Deceased was getting the better of the fight, and accused ran away.

Deceased then went to the kitchen to wash some clothes, but about 20 to 30 minutes later, accused, apparently resenting the beating he had received, returning to the house with a party of men, who were strangers to the occupants of the premises. Accused and another man went to the kitchen where he asked deceased to go to the door and have another fight. Deceased did so, but as soon as he reached the door, he was set upon by several of the men brought by accused.

CONFLICTING ACCOUNTS

What happened at this stage was rather conflicting, said counsel. Some witnesses said that accused caught hold of deceased while others struck him. Others testified that accused merely stood by. After the fight, accused and his gang went away. Deceased returned to the kitchen where he was seen drinking some water. A few minutes later he collapsed and was brought by the occupants of the premises to the street, where he died shortly afterwards.

The police were informed, and accused was arrested three days later at the house. When formally charged with manslaughter, accused denied having struck deceased, who, he alleged, was beaten by a man named Ah Wah, on the instructions of one Ah Fuk.

The first witness called was Dr. R. S. Begbie, medical officer in charge of Victoria Mortuary. Witness testified to having performed a post-mortem examination on deceased and found that death was due to a rupture of the spleen, which was soft and twice the size of a normal one. The rupture might have been caused by a blow to the stomach or by a fall. There were not external marks of violence.

Dr. Cheong Siu-fan, medical officer at the Government Civil Hospital, deposed to having examined accused and found a red mark on the right knee-cap, which might have been the result of a fall or of contact with a hard object.

An eye-witness of the fatal fight, Au Ki, principal tenant of the premises, said he saw accused and a stranger strike deceased, who was squatting as though to avoid the blows. Accused hit deceased about 11 or 12 times.

The case is proceeding.

Son Assaults Mother

THREAT TO THROW VITRIOL

A widow, aged 66, named Lam Shun, of No. 6 Ezra Lane, second floor, was the complainant before Mr. K. Keen at the Central Magistracy this morning, when Tsui Kau, aged 27, her son, was charged with assaulting her at her home on March 5.

Detective-Sergeant D. Davies said the old lady made a report to the police on March 5 that she had been assaulted by her son, as she had refused to loan him $20. He had then thrown a stool which struck her on the head. She also said defendant threatened to throw vitriol over her, and disfigure her. Defendant could not then be found, but he returned to his home yesterday, and again asked for money and threatened to throw vitriol over his mother. She then had him arrested.

Tsui was an opium smoker, added the Sergeant, and spent 30 cents a day on opium. He would do no work, and though his mother had offered him a job at $10 a month in her printing business, he had refused to accept it. The old lady had another son who earned $70 a month, and he was very good.

Asked about defendant, the old woman replied that he was always treating her in the same manner.

Sergeant Davies told his Worship that the complainant wished her son to be sent to prison in order to rid him of his opium habit.

Defendant was fined $200, with the alternative of three months' hard labour.

RADIO BROADCAST

Studio Recital by Dina Notargiacomo

ROTARY CLUB SPEECH

Radio Programme Broadcast by Z.B.W. on Wavelengths of 355 metres (845 k.c's), 31.40 metres (9.52 m.c's).

4-7 p.m. Chinese Programme.

7-11.05 p.m. European Programme.

7 p.m. Marek Weber and His Orchestra.

Spring Song (Mendelssohn); Coeur Brise (Gillet); At the Tchaikovsky Fountain - Fantasia (Urbach); "Manon"—Fantasia (Massenet; arr. Tavan); The Music Comes (C. Straus); Song of Paradise (King).

7.30 p.m. Closing local Stock Quotations and Hongkong Exchange Market Report.

7.35 p.m. From the Studio.

A Recital for Two Pianos by H. L. Ozorio and Pomping Vila (With Vocal Refrain).

1. Double Pianos—Shine. 2. Vocal—When did you leave Heaven? 3. Double Pianos—Tormented. 4. Vocal—The way you look to-night. 5. Double Pianos—Organ Grinder's Swing. 6. Vocal—Miracles sometimes happen. 7. Double Pianos—Selection.

8 p.m. Local: Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 The London Piano-Accordeon Band.

Diddle-Dum-Dee. Hawaiian Paradise. Dream Time. Back in those old Kentucky days.

8.15 p.m. From the Studio.

A Light Saxophone Recital by L. Palapo.

Concerto in E Minor by Jascha Gurewich.

1. Maestoso; 2. Andante sostenuto; 3. Presto.

8.30 German Music.

Choral and Orchestral—"Tannhauser" (Wagner)—Procession of the Guests to Wartburg....State Opera Chorus and Orchestra.

Baritone Solos—Die Ehre Gottes Aus Der Natur (Beethoven); Die Beiden Grenadiere (Heine & Schumann)....Gerhard Husch.

Contralto Solos—The Young Nun (Craigher & Schubert); The Trout (Schubert & Schubert); Hedge-Roses (Goethe & Schubert).

Songs — Moritat, Kanonensong (Kurt Weill and B. Brecht).....Harold Paulsen.

8.55 p.m. London—News and Announcements.

8.15 From the Studio.

Dina Notargiacomo (Dramatic Soprano).

"La Gioconda" (Penchielli)—Suicidio. "La Tosca" (Puccini)—Visi d'Arte. Serenata (Mascagni).

9.30 New Gramophone Records.

Concerto No. 1 for Harpsichord and Orchestra (Mozart), played by Mme. Marguerite Roesgen-Champion and Orchestra Symphonique (of Paris).

Part 1.—Allegro.
Part 2.—Andante.
Part 3.—Rondo.

The Lotus Flower (Schumann).

A Dream (Grieg)....Beniamino Gigli (Tenor).

Overture "Portsmouth Point" (Walton)....B.B.C. Symphony Orchestra.

The Lover and the Nightingale (Granados)....Eileen Joyce (pianoforte).

10 p.m. London—Big Ben. "World Affairs." A talk by H. Wickham Steed.

10.20 London—"Hall Marks." today you will hear the first performance given by Henry Hall and his band on entering their sixth year with the B.B.C. Henry Hall will talk to you and introduce the various artists you have often heard performing with his band.

11.05 p.m. Close Down.

QUEEN MARIE MUST REST

HER CONDITION IS NOT ALARMING

Bucharest, Mar. 15.

A bulletin issued late to-night states that Queen Marie, following the decline of an attack of influenza, developed slight symptoms of stomach haemorrhage, necessitating rest and a suitable diet.

Official court circles state there is no cause for alarm.—*Reuter.*

PEN-SNATCHER SENTENCED

MAN OF NUMEROUS CONVICTIONS

Stated by the police to have nine previous convictions against him, Li Yin, aged 27, unemployed, was charged before Mr. Keen at the Central Magistracy this morning with the theft of a fountain pen from Chan Wing-sze, a student, in Queen's Road Central on Sunday.

Detective-Sergeant T. Cashman said defendant walked past complainant, took the pen out of his pocket and passed it over to another man, who ran away with it. Chan seized hold of Li and handed him over to the police. Among defendant's convictions were six for larceny from the person.

His Worship remarked that defendant seemed to have spent most of the last 10 years of his life in gaol.

Defendant was sentenced to six months' hard labour and ordered to undergo a further two years' police supervision, which he was already undergoing at the time he committed his present offence.

H. D. RUMJAHN EXTENDED IN THE SECOND SET

GOOD DISPLAY BY LUK

Yesterday's Tennis

CRAWFORD WINS

(By "Veritas")

H. D. Rumjahn yesterday fulfilled general expectations by beating Luk Chun-cheung in straight sets in the first round of the Colony singles tennis championship. Yet in the second set he was made to sit up and take notice, being led 4-3 on his own service and held to 7-5 before he clinched the issue.

Luk, after a shaky opening, settled down to play steady tennis and positively thrived on the long rallies which featured the second stanza. His backhand—a sliced drive—functioned in excellent manner and he was dangerous on this wing. Rumjahn usually caught him though, when he changed his direction suddenly and sent across a fast angled drive to the forehand corner.

Luk was rather sorely "winded" toward the end of the match and it is pretty certain that he could not have stuck it out for three sets. Nevertheless he was a game loser and when Rumjahn led 6-5 in the second set, actually saved seven match points before crying best to a perfect cross-court backhand drive, the pace of which completely defeated the Chinese.

Rumjahn played well within himself, though he did not enjoy complete control over his strokes. But he made winners with his customary skill and played well enough to suggest that he will survive a few rounds.

OUT OF PRACTICE

G. C. Burnett, very much out of practice, was no match for A. Crawford, another K.C.C. competitor and lost 0-6, 2-6. Crawford contented himself with driving easily and accurately on both wings, while Burnett provided the errors. It was not a real test for Crawford, who won as he liked.

Quite a large-sized "gallery" gathered round the No. 5 court to watch the veterans, Ng Sze-kwong and L. F. Hon engage H. T. Bee and H. Y. Hsu in the men's doubles.

Ng and Hon played immaculate tennis to win comfortably in two sets. Their understanding was admirable and they brought into effective use their vast experience of the doubles game. Chiefly they relied on placements and these were usually so accurate that they scored outright.

Yesterday's championship results were:

OPEN SINGLES

A. Crawford beat G. C. Burnett 6-0, 6-2

Captain Coppinger beat S. C. Chiu 6-0, 6-1

H. D. Rumjahn beat Luk Chun-cheung 6-1, 7-5

OPEN DOUBLES

Ng Sze-kwong and L .F. Hon beat H. T. Bee and H. Y. Hsu 6-1, 6-4.

DOYLE STARTS COMEBACK

Wins After A Very Shaky Opening

(By Geoffrey Simpson)

Jack Doyle, shaken but triumphant after many perilous escapes, finished a sixth-round winner of his fight with blond Harry Staal, the German-Dutch heavy-weight, at the Earl's Court arena last month.

It was a battle as sensational as any Doyle has had in his dramatic career, and he was caught so many times by right-hand swings as wild as March winds that it can no longer be doubted that this giant Irishman, for all his strength and hitting power, is still a pugilistic baby.

The struggle closed with a towel being tossed in from Staal's corner.

By that time the Dutch champion, a man of colossal courage and an amazing capacity for taking punishment, was as a reed before a storm.

He was bending before Doyle's blows, and could scarcely stand. His left ear was in a sorry state, and he had no resistance left.

WOMEN CHEER "JACK"

As the towel came in the bulk of 10,200 people who had packed into the building yelled their heads off for Doyle. Women stood on chairs shouting "Good old Jack!"

Men struggled to reach his corner. They could not have made more fuss than if he had won the championship of the world.

Staal must have the strength of a bull to stand up to such pile-driving blows as Doyle shot over, but his boxing knowledge was even poorer than the Irishman's.

WINDMILL BLOWS

Staal's arms swung round and round much like the windmills in his own country. You could see his right coming from any distance, but, crude as the punch was, it caught Doyle—and continued to catch him.

Doyle started off prodding away with his left as though he meant to show people how well he could box. Staal then started to swing, and in about a minute a right thumped on to the Doyle chin and over he went. A count of seven. Staal's "cauliflower" ear started to

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Top picture shows Jack Doyle sent to the floor early on in his fight with Harry Staal. The other picture illustrates Doyle being acclaimed winner after the Irishman had taken a lot of punishment.

Sellers Favours 5-day Tests

A. B. Sellers, captain of Yorkshire, says that he was in favour of five-day Tests in England and thought they would soon be seen in this country. "Ordinary cricket to-day," he said, "is much too slow. A bowler can shut up the game any time he likes providing he is backed up by ten good fieldsmen."

CHEAPER CRICKET IN KENT

County Club's Proposals

Sixpenny cricket is the aim of Kent, who have decided to make substantial reductions in admission charges next season.

The object of the county is to encourage interest in the game and revive its pre-war popularity, when sixpenny cricket attracted big crowds.

On grounds where a single match is played the admission will be 1s., but reduced to 6d. after four o'clock.

In recent years Kent charges at the gate have been 1s. 6d. and 2s. Last season many matches were ruined by rain.

The club lost £1,649 last season, as against £201 in 1935, but as 1936 was one of the wettest summers on record Kent are not pessimistic.

MIGHT HAVE BEEN WORSE

"We were perhaps lucky not to have suffered more severely," it is stated in the official report.

R. T. Bryan and B. H. Valentine will share the duties of captain next season, as A. P. F. Chapman has resigned. Bryan will lead the side till August and then Valentine will take over.

Tribute is paid in the report to Chapman's services, and regret is expressed at the termination of Freeman's engagement after "he has borne the brunt of the bowling for so long."

Six members of the committee retire by rotation and their places will be filled by Lord Cornwallis, Sir Henry Strentfeild, Major A. F. Leach-Lewis, Lt.-Col. A. O'B. ffrench Blake, Mr. A. P. F. Chapman, and Mr. W. Findlay, the former secretary of M.C.C.

Classes for a limited number of boys will be held at Canterbury for a fortnight beginning Monday, April 12, and during the same period at Tonbridge, where Ashdown and Poyey will be the coaches, under the control of the Tonbridge Cricket Club.

Colony Badminton Championships

CARVALHO ILL: UNABLE TO PLAY

ONE MATCH FOR THIS EVENING

(By "Veritas")

L. A. Carvalho, the Recreio badminton player, is ill with malaria and cannot play to-night in the semi-final of the mixed doubles badminton championships of the Colony. He will also be unable to play to-morrow night in the quarter-finals of the men's doubles.

It is hoped that he will be fit to play off these two games next week, and a postponement is being granted with this intention. If he has not recovered sufficiently by next week, he will concede walk-overs in both events.

There is therefore only one mixed doubles championship match at King's College this evening. M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva play S. A. Gray and Miss A. Mackenzie. Oliveira and Miss Silva are favoured to win, but the match may go the full distance.

To-morrow the quarter-finals in the men's doubles will be played off, though only three of the four matches will be staged in view of Carvalho's illness. The programme, with King's College as the venue, follows.

F. H. Kwok and S. W. Liang (C.R.C.) v. P. K. Hui and T. C. Lee (University).

K. S. Liew and K. L. Yong (University) v. H. A. Alves and E. de Sousa (Recfelo).

T. J. Ong and F. Koh (Chinese (Y.M.C.A.) v. M. A. Oliveira and J. J. Remedios.

RECREIO "B" GET WALK-OVER IN MIXED DOUBLES

Recreio "B" displace Free Lances for second place in the mixed doubles badminton league as a result of receiving a walk-over from University. Recreio have one more match to play, and either they or Chinese Recreation Club will finish as runners-up. The amended league table reads:

LEAGUE TABLE

	P.	W.	L.	M.	A.	Pts.
Recreio "A"	10	10	0	77	13	20
Free Lances	12	6	6	62	43	12
Recreio "B"	11	7	4	40	50	14
C.R.C.	8	5	3	43	29	10
University	9	3	6	37	35	6
Kowloon Tong	9	2	7	23	67	4
St. John's	11	2	9	23	77	3

LEAGUE BADMINTON

RECREIO B BEAT THE VARSITY

FREE LANCES' TEAM OF 4

There was a restricted programme of league badminton matches last evening. The important return game between University "A" and Recreio "A" was postponed and will be played off on Friday of this week.

Recreio's chances may be seriously jeopardised as L. A. Carvalho is ill with malaria and is unlikely to be available.

Free Lances turned up with only four players for last night's "A" Division match against Chinese Y.M.C.A. and were beaten 1-2, having to concede three of the games.

E. L. H. Shute and his son Warwick played well to win two games and to take their opponents to 15 in the third.

Recreio "B", hosts to University "B" won on interesting match by six games to three, the full scores being:

H. A. Barros and A. E. Xavier (Recreio "B"):—beat D. Kwok and S. C. Tai 21-8; beat S. K. Hui and C. K. Lee 21-19; beat T. F. Yong and H. C. Goh 21-8.

N. A. Beltrao and E. A. E. Alves (Recreio "B"):—beat Kwok and Tai 21-15; lost to Hui and Lee 11-21; beat Yong and Goh 21-19.

H. A. Noronha and C. C. Pereira (Recreio "B"):—lost to Kwok and Tai 9-21; beat Hui and Lee 21-8; lost to Yong and Goh 15-21.

"B" DIVISION

St. Andrew's "B" Defeated

In the "B" Division, St. Andrew's "B" received Victoria Recreation Club and lost by six games to three. Scores.

F. A. Madar and J. P. Dawson (St. Andrew's "B") lost to S. A. Rumjahn and C. N. da Silva 3-21; beat A. J. Basto and A. O. Barretto 24-21; lost to M. M. de V. Soares and C. A. Gaan 17-21.

W. Knox and H. R. Darby (St. Andrew's "B":—lost to Rumjahn and Silva 11-21; lost to Basto and Barretto 3-21; lost to Soares and Gaan 0-21.

M. Weill and G. White (St. Andrew's "B"):—lost to Rumjahn and Silva 15-21; beat Basto and Barretto 21-10; beat Soares and Gaan 21-10.

LEAGUE TABLE

"A" Division

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Recreio "A"	11	10	0	1	78	21	20
University "A"	10	10	0	0	54	9	20
C.R.C.	13	6	0	7	47	61	12
Recreio "B"	11	7	0	4	41	46	14
Chinese Y.M.C.C.	8	5	0	3	45	27	10
University "B"	11	3	0	8	32	57	6
St. Andrew's "A"	13	3	0	10	45	75	6
Free Lances	13	1	0	12	27	72	2

LEAGUE TABLE

	P.	W.	L.	M.	A.	Pts.
King's College	11	10	0	1	77	13	20
Kowloon Tong "A"	12	9	0	3	69	39	18
St. John's	11	8	0	3	61	38	16
V.R.C.	10	7	0	3	58	32	14
S. & S. Home	11	2	0	9	16	74	4
St. Andrew's "B"	9	1	0	8	27	54	2
Kowloon Tong "B"	11	1	0	10	24	75	2

(Chinese Y.M.C.A. having been transferred to the "A" Division, their record has been expunged).

New Zealand Cricket Team For England

Wellington.

Before leaving for their tour of England this summer, the New Zealand cricket team probably will play a match against the M.C.C. side at present in Australia. The match would be played at Wellington.

Fourteen players will make the trip to England. Eight players so far have been selected. M. L. Page (Canterbury), J. L. Kerr (Canterbury), A. W. Roberts (Canterbury), D. A. R. Moloney (Manawatu), W. Carson (Auckland), H. G. Vivian (Auckland), and M. W. Wallace (Auckland).

LOCAL GOLF RESULTS

A.D. Humphreys Qualifies In Adamson Cup

A. D. Humphreys, with a score of 80-9=71, qualified in the March qualifying round of the Adamson Cup played at Happy Valley, March 5-14. There were ten entries.

The Bogey (Par) Pool played on the Old Course at Fanling, March 13-14, was won by A. E. Lissaman (3) with a score of four up.

Other scores were G. S. Chambers (20), three up; G. C. Worrall (10), one up; and W. J. S. Key (9) all square. There were 25 entries.

INDIA'S LEADING TENNIS PLAYERS MAY EXHIBIT IN HONGKONG

(By "Veritas")

HONGKONG will probably have the opportunity of seeing India's leading tennis players in action sometime in May as it is reported that the proposal of the Indian Tennis Improvement Association to send a team to tour Japan has been approved by the Japan Lawn Tennis Association.

The team will comprise five players and will include India's No. 1 and No. 3 ranking players, as well as the 1936 junior champion.

The following team is announced.

S. L. R. SOHNY

Winner of the Punjab tournament in 1935 and ranked No. 1 in the All-India standings

G. MOHAMMED

Winner of the United Provinces tourney last year and India's No. 3 player

Y. SINGH

Winner of the Bengal hard-court tournament in 1934

K. SEN

Winner of the All-India junior championship in 1935

MISS WOODCOCK

No. 4 in the All-India women's rankings.

The Hongkong L. T. A. should be given a good chance of arranging for the appearance of these notable players in exhibitions on their way through the Colony. In fact the Association would be well advised to communicate with the Indian Tennis Improvement Association with a view to completing such arrangements.

Sunderland's Big Cup-Tie Win

London, March 15.

Meeting for the third time of asking in the sixth round of the English Cup to-day, Sunderland and Wolves succeeded in reaching a decision. Sunderland won handsomely by four goals to nil, the match being played on the Sheffield Wednesday ground.—*Reuter.*

VINES LAUDS YOUNG JAPANESE TENNIS STAR AFTER GAME

Los Angeles.

Japan definitely will become a Davis Cup threat next year, according to Ellsworth Vines who, along with Bill Tilden, recently completed a playing tour of that country.

The great professional netter, in a letter to friends back home, praised the ability of Jiro Yamagishi, Nippon singles star.

"Yamagishi is the best over here by far," Vines wrote. "Don't be surprised if he ranks well within the world's first 10 next year. His style is reminiscent of Bunny Austin's, and is almost flawless. He'll be a real threat in Davis Cup play next season."

(Vines, together with Big Bill Tilden, played in Hongkong last year.)

HOMESIDE RACING SENSATION

SUSPENSION OF JOCKEY

London, Mar. 15.

The Lincoln flat-racing season, which is expected to be a record one, opened sensationally in sunny and chilly weather after a slight snowfall to-day.

The first sensation was the disqualification of Parkin, the winner of the Cenwick Maiden Plate, by the Stewards themselves. The decision was made following a fall by two horses.

They also suspended Sammy Wragg the winning jockey for the remainder of the meeting so that he cannot ride the quietly fancied Bone in the Lincolnshire.

Boldness, the winner of the Brocklesby Trial Handicap paid a dividend of 155 to 1 to win on the totalisator.

The Daily Double yielded a return of £310 for an outlay of ten shillings.

Ephraim Smith, Edgehill's jockey in the Lincolnshire scored a hat-trick to-day which Gordon Richards drew blank.

Everything is in readiness for the big race on Wednesday, which the betting shows is as open as usual. The going is excellent though heavy. —*Reuter.*

The following have been selected to represent the Club against the Club de Recreio on Wednesday at 5.1 p.m. at King's Park:

J. Benwell; E. V. Reed, G. Sommer; J. Potter, W. Reed, R. A. Bates; H. Starbuck, S. Fowler, G. E. R. Divett, B. Bickford, V. Bond.

SPORT ADVTS.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Second Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 27th and Monday, 29th March, 1937, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building, the Club House, Happy Valley; the Hong Kong Club; the Sports Club; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Thursday, 18th March, 1937.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

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SEVERAL WELL-KNOWN RACE PONIES.

Members of the Hongkong Jockey Club who wish to dispose of their ponies will please forward full particulars to Major F. Hogg, Manager, Hongkong Jockey Club Stables, not later than the 13th March, 1937, at NOON.

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Hongkong, 3rd March, 1937.

SOCCER'S POPULARITY IN FRANCE

CUP-TIE FEVER

Since the introduction of professionalism in France within the last few years, football grounds have rapidly grown too small for the crowd, especially on cup-tie days.

The French Cup competition is organised on the same lines as the English competition, from which it was copied. Now at every cup tie hundreds of spectators have to be turned away and at the recent match between Rouen and Lille, played on the ground of the Park des Princes, Paris, police had to hold hands to keep the crowd in line at the ticket offices.

Professional football in France is international, for whereas in England we have players playing for Sunderland who were never natives of Sunderland, or Arsenal players who come from everywhere except London, in many French professional football teams there are players who not only do not come from towns for which they play but come from foreign countries and often can hardly speak French.

According to the rules of the governing football body in France no professional team can play more than three foreigners in the same game. One of the best-known Paris teams, the Racing Club de Paris, has in its team an Englishman, an Austrian and a South American.

TREMENDOUS DEVELOPMENT

People in England have little idea of the tremendous development in France in the domain of sports. In Paris, or rather of the outskirts, one can see two football grounds next to each other where the public crowd round the ticket offices. These two grounds are close to the Port d' Auteuil, on the edge of the Bois de Boulogne, and if a visitor climbed to the roof of a nearby building he would be surprised to see no fewer than five football grounds adjoining, to say nothing of running tracks, basket ball pitches, and tennis courts. The principal of these athletic parks is the Park des Princes, the home of the Racing Club de Paris, where the football field is surrounded by a cycle track. This club has one of the handsomest grounds, with magnificent stands, underground dressing rooms, etc. Incidentally, it is on this ground, than less important, that the first international association football match was played in France in 1905, when a French team was defeated by a Swiss team before only 2,000 spectators, most of whom had come to see a rugby match. When a few weeks ago France played Austria on this same ground, thousands had to be turned away before the match began, and the gate receipts totalled £5,300.

Woolwich Stadium For Noted Amateurs?

A MOVE to lease Woolwich Stadium is being made by a joint committee of the Corinthians and Casuals Football Clubs, the *News Chronicle* understands.

The Stadium is a commodious ground with one of the best-kept pitches in the country and Woolwich authorities are said to be in favour of the lease.

It does not rest with the Woolwich Command, however. The stadium belongs to the War Department, where a feeling has been expressed that it would be a bad precedent to rent a military ground to a civilian club.

It is hoped, however, that this objection will be overcome.

FILLIP FOR LEAGUE BID

Should the ground be secured, which seems probable, there is little doubt that the amalgamation of the two famous amateur clubs will be ratified at the general meetings shortly to be called.

In that event, too, the new club would be in a favourable position to apply for membership of the Third Division of the Football League, a move long desired by responsible members of the Corinthians' committee.

Woolwich Stadium was originally intended for the big Inter-Services and triangular tournament games, and athletic meetings; a military tattoo has also been held there.

But Army football has failed to prove a draw in the district, and nowadays the big Services games are played at Selhurst.

Shanghai Badminton Championship

LATEST RESULTS

The following are the full results of games played in the Shanghai Badminton Association series.—

MEN'S SINGLES

1st Round:—Leong Hong Teck won from Stokes 14-18, 15-10, 15-9, Spagnoletti won from Choong Tung Ling 15-7, 16-17, 15-9; de Senna won from Chailan 15-2, 15-4.

MEN'S DOUBLES

1st. Round:—Eardley and Kew won from Ginsburg and Chailan 15-5, 15-10; Squires and Sullivan won from Leong and Choong 15-10, 10-15, 17-15; de Senna and Silva walk over from White and White; Stokes and Wade won from Chelmis and Chelmis 10-15, 18-15, 15-11.

2nd Round:—Meise and Berents won from C. H. Duff and Baxter 15-6, 15-7; Spagnoletti and Duff won from Wilson and Forbes 15-1, 16-15; de Senna and Silva won from Stokes and Wade 15-12, 15-10.

LADIES SINGLES

1st Round:—Miss Eardley won from Mrs. Alfes 15-7, 15-8; Mrs. Stokes won from Mrs. Maitland 11-5, 12-10; Mme. des Courtils won from Miss Sinclair 12-13, 11-9, 11-6; Miss Tavares won from Mrs. Morcher 11-5, 11-2.

LADIES DOUBLES

1st. Round:—Mrs. Alfes and Mrs. White won from Mrs. Morcher and Miss Tavares 15-9, 14-17, 15-12.

MIXED DOUBLES

Miss Seaborn and Eardley won from Mrs. Stokes and Barents; Miss Eardley and Spagnoletti won from Mrs. Clark and Chelmis 15-8, 15-6; Mrs. Burton and Meise won from Mrs. Morcher and Forbes 15-3, 15-7; Miss Sinclair and Kew won from Mrs. Remedios and de Senna 15-9, 15-7.

INTERNATIONAL MEN'S DOUBLES

Portugal represented by de Senna and Silva won from France with Meise and Chailan in the semi-final 15-7, 15-9; England represented by Spagnoletti and Wade meets Australia with Eardley and Kew in the other semi final.

The final of this event, which is being held for the first time, will be played off together with the finals of the other championships on Tuesday and Wednesday 23rd and 24th March at the Country Club at 5.30 p.m.

DOYLE STARTS COMEBACK

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bleed in Round 2, and it troubled him greatly afterwards. He was always trying to reserve one glove to protect it, and thus left himself open to punishment.

Defensively Staal was as wide open as a farmyard gate, and Doyle had no difficulty in scoring with left jabs.

Really, Doyle must learn how to stop a right hand if he is to reach the top. He would have had a sorry time against a more knowledgeable fighter.

Apart from his gameness and his ability to absorb heavy blows, Staal has little to recommend him, but he staggered Doyle more times than any other boxer has done in England. What I liked about Doyle was the way he pegged away, trying to drop his man, though so repeatedly discouraged.

£8,000 GATE

He almost tired himself out raining punches on his rival, but not until the fifth round did he succeed in bringing Staal down.

Even then Staal only fell on to one knee for a second or two.

Said Doyle afterwards: "That fellow Staal must be made of granite. I hit him a hundred times and he stayed upright."

Doyle's manager said, "Jack kept his head this time; that's the great thing," and Mr. John Harding, the N.S.C. manager, was pleased too. He had to turn hundreds away, yet took an £8,000 gate. Doyle gets £1,200 of it and Staal £200.

SUGGESTIONS TO BRIGHTEN UP COUNTY CRICKET

When a man like Mr. P. F. Warner, Test player of the past and Test selector of the present advocates a curtailment of county cricket matches and a substitution of more representative games such as "Over 30 v. Under 30," people are bound to take notice.

It may interest Mr. Warner to know that many support him in his view that additional representative games, spread over the country grounds, will bring back the crowds to cricket.

One reader suggests that Mr. Warner should increase his list of matches by arranging one between right-handed cricketers and left-handers.

Among those who stand the "wrong way round" are Creese, Fishlock, Howorth Jas. Langridge, Leyland, Mead, Nichols, Paynter, Perks, Pothecary, D. Smith, Todd, Wade, and Woolley.

There are plenty of others, and it would be easy to pick a good team.

Another reader says that if more clubs are to avoid the plight into which Leicestershire have fallen, cricket must be speeded up—and the way to do it is by putting professionals on the bonus system, as in football.

"The pace of present-day cricket is regulated by the professional batsman, who must, for his own sake, keep one eye on the averages if he is to make his living," he states.

"A £2 bonus on top of wages for a win would surely encourage players to try to force a win instead of playing for a draw, as they so often do."

Other readers insist that there is no need for reform at all; that there is nothing wrong with cricket, and that the game only needs to be left alone.

The answer to them is that the condition of many county club balance-sheets shows that county cricket is being left alone.

SPEEDING UP GOLF POPOSALS

GOLFUNION'S SUGGESTION

We have been hearing a great deal lately about speeding up golf. Cyril Tolley set the ball rolling with his suggestion that a limit should be put on the time allowed for the playing of each shot. But it has been left to the English Golf Union to come forward with a concrete suggestion for speeding up play in a championship.

They are to try out a scheme in which, instead of two players going off together for a medal round three will be drawn and play together.

A TRIAL IN DEVON

The move is to be given a trial at the English county championship, to be played over the links of the Saunton Club, in Devon, on the Saturday preceding the English close championship, which starts on April 26.

At least 20 counties will be represented each by four players. As each player has to play 36 holes in one day it stands to reason that the English Golf Union are making a good move in looking for a method of speeding up the play.

WHERE DELAYS MIGHT OCCUR

It is as well to remember, however, that by increasing the number of players going out together there are more opportunities for delays and complications to occur. Those important rules regarding a ball striking another player's ball on the putting green, for which the penalty is two strokes, will have to be more carefully watched. And the great danger of playing a wrong ball is also increased. Fortunately, most players in a championship take special precautions to know their own ball. I always mark mine with a small cross, which is easily made with the thumb nail and cannot be obliterated says a London correspondent.

GET ON WITH THE PUTTING

There might also be some delay when players are putting. With three players there is bound to be a lot more lifting of the ball on the green to give others a clear line to the hole. I think the E.G.U. might go a step farther in their move to speed up the game and suggest that players who have putted dead should go on and hole out without waiting for players farther from the hole to putt up. Then there would be less necessity for lifting and replacing balls, which always wastes a certain amount of time.

What Has Happened To Australian Barracking?

(By William Pollock)

Adelaide.

Douglas Jardine's statement that Australia has lost the "dignity" of cricket because of barracking defeats me. One of the surprises of this tour is that there wasn't any barracking.

Noise, yes—particularly shrill, half hysterical shrieks and yells from the thousands of women in the crowds—but barracking, no.

Now and then, here and there, I have heard sarcastic remarks.

Loud-voiced gentlemen have expressed the opinion, "You'll never get 'em out" or have requested a fieldsman to get a bag, but you can hardly call these occasional cries barracking.

OUR CROWDS NOISIER

It is rather disappointing. I had the idea that Australian cricket crowds kept up a barrage of raucous rudeness, threw bottles about, and generally behaved in a manner likely to create a breach of public peace.

Something must surely have come over them. Sometimes the combined influence of hot sun and cold beer incites some slight distant disturbance.

But as for downright barracking, Sheffield, Nottingham, and even the tavern neighbourhood of Lord's can put up a show against Sydney, Melbourne, and Adelaide this trip.

Fleetwood-Smith, playing in the third Test at Melbourne, was the most barracked man of the season.

He is not exactly brilliant in the field, and the crowd did rather get at him in that matter. Which is very silly, of course, for jeering a man who has missed a catch does not help him to catch the next one that comes his way.

Cricketers are saying that this must be a record season for injuries and illness among Test players.

Poor Laurie Fishlock. He has never got going on Australian wickets. He has seemed as if he could not make up his mind whether to play forward or back, and his timing has been nearly all wrong.

He is our latest accident—a bone fractured in his right hand.

The list of injured players this season numbers fifteen, and includes F. Tanfe, Duckworth, R. W. V. Robins, Ames, Leyland, R. E. S. Wyatt, Copson, Voce, E. McCormick, W. Brown, S. McCabe, D. Bradman, C. L. Badcock, L. O'Brien, L. Fleetwood-Smith, K. Rigg, and Fishlock.

"SAGA" GOES TO DRY DOCK

RESULT OF RECENT COLLISION

The Japanese gunboat Saga goes into dry dock to-day for examination of slight damage received when the warship came into collision with a steamer at Canton recently. The steamer was apparently swung round by the tide and struck the Saga.

While the gunboat is being examined, the cruiser Kuretake will remain in harbour, her stay being scheduled to last ten days.

Berthings of warships in harbour to-day are:

North Wall.—H.M.S. Aldgate, Westgate, Moth and Cicala.

South Wall.—H.M.S. Sandwich and Diamond.

North Arm.—H.M.S. Cumberland, Decoy, Defender, Dainty and Falmouth.

West Wall.—H.M.S. Duchess, Westcott, Thracian, Delight and Duncan.

Dock.—H.M.S. Pandora, Odin and Otus.

No. 1. Buoy.—H.M.S. Danae.

No. 2. Buoy.—H.M.S. Medway and Submarines.

No. 5. Buoy.—H.M.S. Adventure.

No. 6. Buoy.—H.M.S. Berwick.

No. 8. Buoy.—H.M.S. Capetown.

Foreign Men of War: U. S. S. Mindanao and Sacramento; French, Lamotte Picquet; Chinese, Chao Ho; Japanese, Saga.

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO.

ANNUAL REPORT PRESENTED

The General Managers and Consulting Committee of the Hongkong Fire Insurance Co. Ltd., in their statement of the accounts of the Company, made up to December 31, 1936, in sterling and Hongkong currency, report:

1935 Account.—This Account shows a surplus of $704,668.53, and it is recommended that this sum be appropriated as follows:—To pay a dividend of $12 per share, $480,000; to add to Investment & Exchange Fluctuation Account, $100,000; to add to Reinsurance Fund, $124,668.53.

1936 Account.—The balance at credit of this Account is $865,835.29.

Consulting Committee.—Since the last annual meeting, Mr. L. Dunbar tendered his resignation which was accepted with regret. Sir Robert Ho Tung, Messrs. C. Bernard Brown, A. H. Compton, Felix A. Joseph, T. E. Pearce, J. H. Taggart and S. T. Williamson retire but, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors.—The Accounts have been audited by Mrssrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews and Percy Smith, Seth & Fleming, who, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

BETTER WEATHER?

An irregular anticyclone of moderate intensity covers China and Mongolia. The depression is moving eastward across Hokkaido. Local forecast:—N. E. winds, moderate; cloudy with drizzle or mist, probably improving.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICE.

N. Y. K. LINE
(NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.)

From EUROPE and STRAITS.

The Steamship
"HAKONE MARU,"
having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 20th March, 1937, will be subject to rent.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Co.'s representatives on any Tuesdays and Fridays, at 2.30 p.m. within the free storage period. For the examination of damaged dutiable goods, the consignees must arrange for a Revenue Officer to be present.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

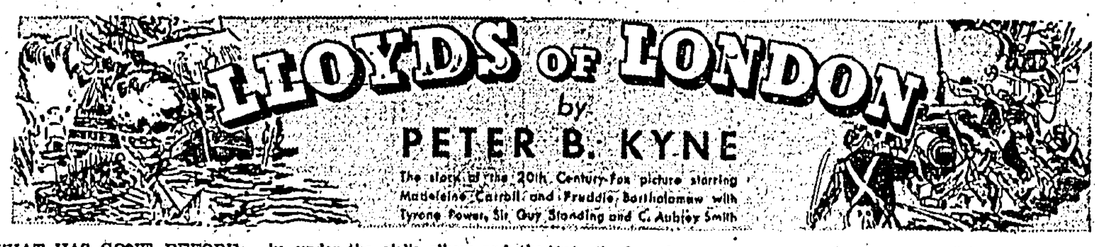
No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

No fire insurance has been effected.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.
Hongkong, 13th March, 1937.

"TELEGRAPH'S" NEW FILM SERIAL

"Lloyd's of London" is a film which is shortly to be presented at the Queen's Theatre. To-day appears another instalment of the full story of the episodes in the life of the great corporation on which the film is based. It is a narrative of much interest in itself and is appropriately made public at a time when the presentation of the film in Hongkong is soon to be made.



WHAT HAS GONE BEFORE:

Jonathan Blake, protege of John Angerstein, underwriter at Lloyds of London, devised a trans-channel signal system for sending news from France to the insurers' London headquarters. In the troubled days under Napoleon, Jonathan goes to France as a spy, disguised in the garb of a priest. He is preparing to leave the country, fearing arrest, when, in a small inn, he witnesses the arrest of a beautiful young English woman.

Chapter Nine

IN THE look of bewilderment that the girl cast upon the smirking French Lieutenant, Jonathan Blake realized that the English girl did not speak French. Her next words proved this.

"Is there anyone here who speaks both French and English?" she addressed the crowd in the cafe.

Jonathan rose and approached the group. He bowed to the lieutenant humbly, for he realized that authority lay on this individual as plainly as a blanket on a horse, that the fellow must be soothed by becoming humility on Jonathan's part and a plain recognition of military authority. "Pardon, my captain," he murmured, purposely giving the lieutenant a raise in rank which, doubtless, would not be displeasing to the man, "but this lady has asked if there be, in this cafe, one who speaks both French and English. I have some light knowledge of the English language, acquired during my boyhood in Quebec, now, alas, ravished from our beloved country by the perfidious English. Have I your permission to inform this English lady why she has been arrested?"

"An order reached us from Paris yesterday to arrest all English citizens found on French soil, your reverence. Other than that I know nothing. It is my duty to take this one to headquarters, where, doubtless, she will be enabled to explain satisfactorily her presence in Calais. You have my permission to explain to this hell-cat. I have no desire to quarrel with her, or order my men to lay hands on her, if she will come peaceably."

"I thank you, my captain," Jonathan turned to the girl. "I speak English," he informed her gently. "You are in arrest in accordance with orders which reached the local military commander from Paris yesterday, instructing him to arrest all English subjects found in his jurisdiction. Other than that this excellent officem who has arrested you knows nothing. He has but done his duty."

The girl's sea blue eyes flashed angrily. "Is it a crime to be English?"

"I fear," he replied sadly, "it is"

"But you're English," she countered. "I can tell by your accent."

"Madamoiselle has made a pardonable mistake. My boyhood was spent in Quebec in an English family, where I learned the language as the English pronounce it."

"Do they think I am a spy?"

"There is always that possibility. Precautions must be taken."

"Tell that impudent French officer, if you will be so kind, that I am not a spy."

"He has no authority to free you, even if he is convinced you speak the truth. My advice to you, mademoiselle, is to go with the soldiers quietly before they lose patience and lay their hands on you—an action which this officer would regret. With your permission I shall accompany the party to headquarters where, if I can be of assistance to mademoiselle as an interpreter I shall be delighted to place myself at her service."

"Thank you, I shall be happy to accept."

"What did she say?" the officer demanded, noticing, of course, that the storm had subsided.

Jonathan explained.

"It is not a bad idea for you to accompany us, reverend sir," the lieutenant agreed. "There is no one at headquarters who speaks the vile English language and the commandant will be grateful for your services, I assure you. Let us go."

He placed a hand, none too gently, under the girl's elbow and the party, followed by Jonathan, descended the stairs to the street. As they emerged a closed carriage, driven by a soldier, drew up at the curb; the lieutenant dismissed the other soldiers after handing the girl into the carriage. "Enter the carriage, father," he ordered.

As Jonathan stepped in he said to the girl. "Move over to the far side and do not be surprised at anything that happens. I am satisfied now that this officer does not understand English. I am an Englishman and I plan to save you."

He sat down, the lieutenant got in beside him, and a soldier closed the door while the carriage drove briskly away. It had proceeded but a few blocks, when the lieutenant found something cold and hard pressed against his head back of his left ear.

"It is a loaded pistol, my dear fellow," the pseudo priest murmured. "I regret the necessity, but what can one do in time or war? You will order the driver to stop, but do not say more if you value your life."

The driver, at the officer's command, pulled up to a curb in a dark street. "Open the door," Jonathan commanded and the officer obediently complied. He stepped out when commanded to do so, his hands held high; in an instant Jonathan was at his side and brought his pistol barrel down on the officer's head; the latter subsided quietly into the gutter; with a bound Jonathan was standing on the step and delivering a similar blow to the soldier driver. When the latter collapsed Jonathan hauled him off his seat and laid him alongside the officer; then he closed the carriage door, climbed up on the seat, took the reins and urged the horses to a trot.

A mile west he drove, to a stone quay. Here he halted the carriage, soothed the horses into quietness, got down and opened the door. "You may step out, my countrywoman," he said laughingly, and handed her out. Then he turned the horses, gave them a crack of the whip and sent them back driverless the way they had come.

He took the girl's arm and guided her down the quay until they came to a bewildering array of bales and barrels. He walked along, striking matches and observing each barrel; presently, on the side of a tierce he saw, in chalk, a large X. He removed the head and spoke into the barrel:

"Alphonse."

A head and shoulders emerged. "Here, sir. I have waited here because the sight of a fisherman on a dock at midnight, where no fisherman should be at that hour, might arouse suspicion if I should be seen. There are spies everywhere. Come, I will lead monsieur to the boat I have provided for him."

"You have brought my clothing from the inn?"

"I forget nothing, sir," Alphonse replied and tossed out a large portmanteau and a heavy great coat. Once out on the quay it developed that he was the same fisherman who had sought the priest's blessing in the cafe.

Jonathan handed him a bag containing money and the man guided them down the quay to a wet and slippery stairway that led down to a sloop around thirty feet over all, bobbing gently against the side of the quay. She was an open boat, a fishing craft of rugged construction. Jonathan handed the girl in and climbed in after her, while the man Alphonse followed and hoisted jib and mainsail.

"There are blankets, sir, and plenty of food and water to last you two weeks. The wind serves two points aft the beam. I will shove off with the boat hook as soon as I get back on the landing stairs; then put your helm down hard and the sails will fill. You have charts and I have outlined the compass course. Farewell, sir, and may God protect you."

Within five minutes the sloop was gliding out of the harbor. A line-of-battle ship lying off the entrance challenged her right to pass, by tossing a round shot across the sloop's bows, but Jonathan refused to luff up, and broadside after broadside was fired at him. However, the sloop was rapidly lengthening the range and the shots were either short or well over, nor did she long remain visible in the dim starshine.

During the bombardment not a word had passed between Jonathan and his fair passenger; once clear of the harbor the wind blew steady and cold out of the northeast; Jonathan lashed the tiller, shed his wif, priest's hat and soutan and donned in their place a fisherman's cap and a heavy jersey.

"That stupid lieutenant forced you to leave your room without giving you opportunity even to put on a warm wrap," he said then. "Get into this great coat. It's heavy and very warm. You'll find some blankets forward, so make yourself a bed and turn in."

She came aft and he helped her into the great coat. "You have been very kind to a total stranger, sir," she murmured.

"One should lend a helping hand to a country-woman in distress. For some time I have had a suspicion that I might have to leave France in a very great hurry, and tonight, before I met you, I realized that time had arrived. I have kept this craft waiting in anticipation of my need. Each night Alphonse has waited to meet me in the cafe on the ground floor of the hotel. We had a code for communicating in the midst of a crowd. I signalled him tonight that I was in danger and about to leave, so he notified me where I would find him and the boat."

"He is a traitor to his country."

"I have discovered that the loudest patriots have their price, Miss—or—Madam—"

"You may call me Elizabeth."

"Thank you; and you may call me Jonathan. It seems each of us has a reason for remaining anonymous."

"Have you any idea what would have happened to me had you not rescued me?"

"Human life is cheap in France, Elizabeth. Failing to prove you a spy the local authorities would doubtless have handed you over to Mademoiselle Guillotine, just to be on the safe side."

"And you?"

"You observe, Elizabeth, that I am bound for Merry England and not half fast enough to suit me. That is because I have a very great yearning to live out my years. Now, then, to the blankets with you, before you catch cold. For your sake I have cracked two men on the head; for aught I know to the contrary, I may have killed them. That has been trouble enough for one night."

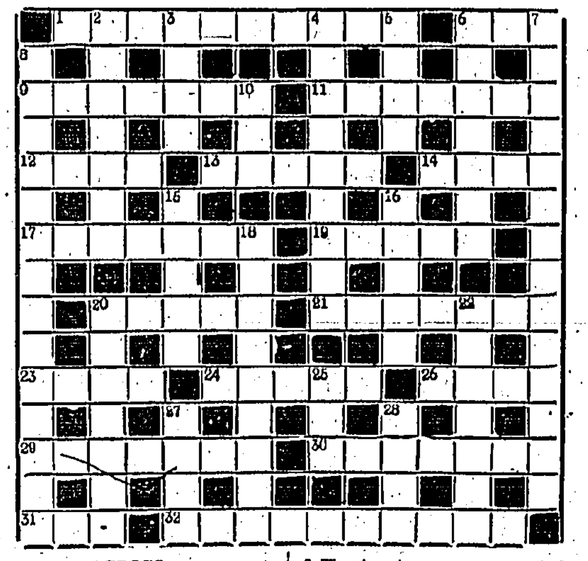
She held out her little hand "Goodnight, Jonathan. All of my life I shall owe you a debt I never can repay."

He thought as he took the tiller again, headed the sloop up on her course and thrilled as she lay over and took a bone in her teeth: "I've found her, and with God's help I shall never let her go."

(To be continued)

Jonathan rose and approached the group. He bowed humbly to the lieutenant, and offered his services as an interpreter between the latter and his pretty English captive. Janothan explained his knowledge of French by saying he had come from French Canada.

OUR BRITISH CROSSWORDS



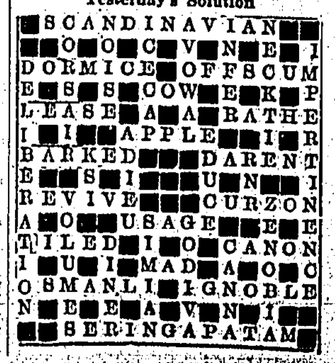
ACROSS

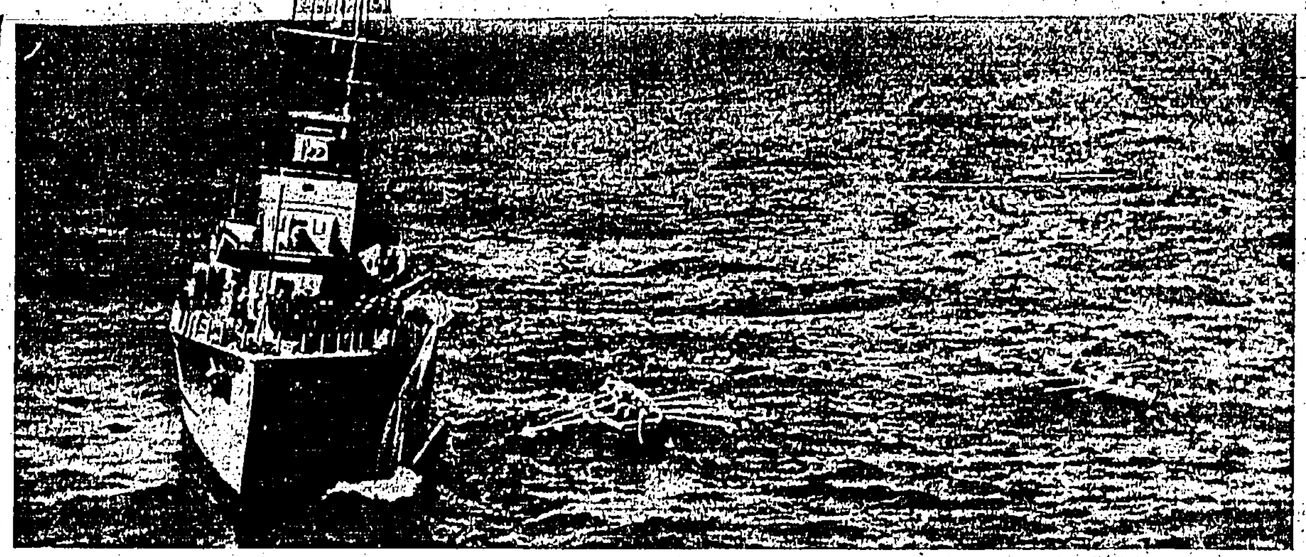
1 Pugs we term as beer containers (two words, 6, 4).
6 Inner bag of a rucksack.
9 On the road may appear a cad, ma'am, but don't judge by appearances.
11 Is back after ten, and goes on, but rather a strain, all the same.
12 That convenient Paris suburb.
13 An exit of stone.
14 Which Japanese town is it that sounds like a Pasha's colleague?
17 Though the container is broken the wine remains. Unravel this, dear solver.
19 The famous Pagoda runner.
20 The riddle that holds no solution.
21 The deer who did from the start.
23 Prepare for the table.
24 Thirst quencher.
26 For a lark it's quite the thing to do it.
29 Making a bit.
30 Very exact—
31 understand?
32 Resolved to put an end to.

DOWN

2 Save one more letter for quotation.
3 One of the non-waiters.
4 Turned out as lacking knowledge.
5 Employed in making bricks and mortar.
6 Famous Dutch Seventeenth Century philosopher. He wrote "Ethics."
7 Corporate mines (anag).
8 They're given many a punch, but they don't mind (two words, 7, 7).
10 One of the faces in 1.
15 The ocean greyhound I leave for the railway.
16 Bairachians to begin with, anyway.
18 Army order the oculist puts (two words, 4, 5).
20 Give rogues a hundred: the cat, of course.
22 Le six.
25 Still, you want to be wide awake to play it.
27 Discover this to sound like magistrate's decision.
28 A superior attraction.

Yesterday's Solution





Two 'planes from aircraft carrier Glorious had just been in mid-air collision off Alexandria when this picture was taken. Officer and telegraphist in machine which nose-dived lost their lives. Other airplane was picked up by destroyer Crusader. Its crew were rescued unharmed. Two boats put out to search for victims.

SCENE IN A TELEVISION STUDIO at Alexandra Palace during the production of a topical programme. Princess Kouka, from the Sudan, is standing in front of the television camera. On her right can be seen the next 'turn,' a plumber and his mate, waiting to be televised.

ROYALTY TRAVELS A DIFFICULT ROAD IN EXILE.—The Duke of Windsor, accompanied by his instructor, Walter Dellekarth, and followed by a squad of English and Austrian detectives disguised as skiers, takes a lesson in skiing at Spittal, Austria.

Air picture taken by a Dutch pilot of the dreaded submarine volcano, Krakatoa. After a terrific eruption in 1883 it sank with island on which it stood. Huge ocean-wave caused 36,000 deaths in Sumatra and Java, and tidal wave wrecked junks and sampans in Hongkong.

CIRCLING GLOBE BY AIRWAY

FIRST VOYAGE OF ITS KIND

MANILA MAN'S ENTERPRISE

Pan-American Airways office in Manila can claim the distinction of selling, and Mr. S. D. Winship, a Philippines businessman, the distinction of buying, the first ticket ever issued entitling the holder to travel entirely around the world by air.

Manila will be the starting place of this unique flight—the first complete aerial circumnavigation of the world by regularly established routes.

The total fare is 4,016 pesos (H.K. $6,024), which includes the fare between Manila and Hongkong. Pan American Airways has not yet released for publication its rate between Manila and Hongkong, but it is understood to be approximately H.K.$300.

Seven of the major airlines of the world will help to carry the Manila business man, who is president of the Eastern Isles Import Corporation, around the world. He expects to leave Manila on Thursday this week on board a trans-Pacific Clipper, and be back in seven months of leisurely flying.

This is not the first aerial circumnavigation of the world, but it is the first to be attemped by a paying passenger on regularly established airlines. Other trips, notably the one in which three journalists participated, have been in the nature of stunts, in which specially-chartered-planes-or-steamers were used.

Winship expects to arrive at Alameda on March 25, and from there will travel by United Airlines for New York. From Lakehurst, New Jersey, he will take the zeppelin Hindenburg about August 6 for Frankfort, Germany, a trip of about 50 hours non-stop. From Frankfort he will proceed to Amsterdam on a plane of the Deutsche Lufthansa, and later board a K.L.M. airliner for Rangoon.

From Rangoon he will travel to Hongkong by Imperial Airways. By the time he reaches Hongkong, Pan-American Airways' connecting link between this Colony and Manila will be provided, and he will complete the last leg of his around-the-world flight by Clipper ship.

FEAR 450 PEARLERS PERISHED

WHOLE FLEET VANISHES

Port Darwin, Mar. 16.

One of the worst "willy-willies" (cyclones) in the history of North Australia, it is feared, has claimed the lives of the entire crews—totalling 450—of the Darwin pearl fishing fleet.

Practically the whole fleet is owned by Captain Gregory, Australia's pearl king, who was once a mercantile marine officer on the China Coast.

The storm struck on March 10.

Included in the missing men are 270 Japanese and 180 Australians. It is feared that the fleet has been entirely destroyed, making this the most distastrous cyclone on the northern coast of Australia since 700 lives were lost in 1911.

Captain Gregory only recently removed his fleet from Thursday Island and Broome to the richer fishing grounds off Port Darwin.—*Reuter.*

Captain Gregory was once employed as master mariner with Messrs. Butterfield and Swire. He later became captain with the Blue Funnel Line, resigning to commence pearl fishing in Broome. He amassed a considerable fortune with his fleet, which grew to over 100 luggers. He lost over 20 luggers in the 1912 cyclone.

Captain Gregory passed through Hongkong last December, en route to London, where he intends to attend the Coronation.

Silverlarch Safe In Port

FIRE APPEARS TO BE QUENCHED

Honolulu, Mar. 15.

The British freighter, Silverlarch, which has been in serious difficulties with fire in her hold since Saturday, has now arrived here, escorted by a Coast Guard cutter.

No smoke is visible, but the fire-fighting apparatus is being held in readiness, while preparations are being made to open her hatches.

For more than 50 hours her crew has been fighting to check the blaze and their efforts now appear to have been successful. The ship's position was the more precarious because she carried large quantities of oil and wax.—*Reuter.*

Local Ticket Wins Horse In Grand National

FORTUNE MAY AWAIT LUCKY SPECULATOR

Dublin, Mar. 15.

The draw for the Irish Hospitals Sweepstake on the Grand National Steeplechase took place here to-day, and amongst those who drew horses were the following:

Ticket D.J. 39384, "Gripps," 3 Minden Avenue, Mody Road, Kowloon, Hongkong, drew Sugar Loaf, a runner.

Ticket D.T. 27109, "Klvic," Kowloon Docks, Hongkong, drew Sea Rover. The value of the ticket is £614.

Ticket X.N. 74927, "Ras," P.O. Box No. 1615, Kowloon, Hongkong, drew Battleship, a non-runner, the value of the ticket being £614.

Lord Powerscourt opened the draw, and revealed two important side-issues of the sweepstake — (1) medical research; and (2) the provision of books for hospital patients. A sum of £10,000 yearly is, he said, being spent on research, and scholarships worth £4,000 annually are open for competition in any part of the world.

Research is the basis of all medical knowledge, said Lord Powerscourt, and perhaps it would lead to the discovery of a cure for the world scourge of cancer. How happy they would all be if the cure were found in Dublin. Meanwhile the patient work of making the Irish hospitals better would go on in most capable hands.

STRIKING FIGURES

The total receipts of this sweepstake, the twentieth of the series, are £2,786,452, of which £1,602,235 is the prize fund. The tickets on the winning horse will be worth £30,000, the second £15,000, and the third £10,000. The other fifty-seven tickets will each be worth £614. Residual prizes, which will be drawn to-morrow, are worth £6,223.

The expenses of the sweepstake are less than 15 per cent. The hospitals have now received over £10,000,000, and prize-winners have had over £35,000,000. Altogether over £46,000,000 has been distributed.—*International Press Bureau.*

The *Telegraph* learns that the holder of Ticket No. DJ 39384 in the Irish Sweep is Miss Enid Dunnett, Secretary of the Hongkong Broadcasting Committee.

Sugar Loaf, the horse drawn by Miss Dunnett, is not considered a favourite. Miss Dunnett, however, will win £614 ($9,800) even if the horse does not win a place.

"I am sharing the ticket with several other people," Miss Dunnett said.

"JOCK" JUBILANT

Holder of Ticket No. D.T. 27109, which drew Sea Rover, is Mr. J. ("Jock") McKelvie, of the Hongkong and Whampoa Docks.

"I once sold an Irish Sweep ticket which won £1,450 for someone else, but this is the first time I've clicked myself," Mr. McKelvie jubilantly told the *Telegraph* this morning.

Sea Rover is a non-starter in the Grand National, so Mr. McKelvie will draw £614.—He is sole owner of the ticket.

LUCK FOR PHILIPPINES

Dublin, Mar. 15.

"Two partners" of Passillof Apartment, 8 Yangso Market, Manila, have drawn Milk Punch in the Irish Sweep.

The Viva Pool, of Taal, Batangas, drew Sunspot.

A person named Mestiza, 2763 Taft Extension, Rizal, drew Puckabelle, one of the well backed entries. —*United Press.*

The holder of Battleship is a syndicate at the offices of the National Carbon Company, corner of Fuk Wa and Kweilin Streets, Kowloon. This horse is also a non-starter.

Nazi Victory In Danzig

GOAL OF COMPLETE CONTROL NEARER

Danzig, Mar. 15.

Danzig Nazis have taken a big step towards their goal of complete control of the Free City. Three Opposition members of the Diet having resigned, their successors have announced their conversion to Nazi-ism.

The adhesion of these members will bring the Nazi membership of the Diet to 46 out of 72—only two short of the two-thirds majority required to alter the Constitution.—*Reuter Bulletin Service.*

KAMINSKY DISCHARGED

Moscow, Mar. 15.

M. Kaminsky, Commissar for Health, has been relieved of his post and will be succeeded by M. P. Serguiev.—*Reuter.*

WELSHMAN EMPIRE'S CHAMPION

FARR GIVEN CALL OVER FOORD

10,000 WATCH BATTLE

Harringay Stadium, Mar. 15.

A crowd of 10,000 persons watched Tommy Farr, the Welsh champion, win the British Empire heavyweight championship to-night. Farr outpointed Ben Foord, the big South African, and previous holder.

Farr was diffident at the beginning, but in the third round came to life and assumed an aggressive pose. With a two-fist barrage he beat Foord's face and drew blood from the South African's nose, landing a long left repeatedly through the fifth round.

Ford swung rights of terrific force. If they had landed Farr would probably have been knocked out by one of them. But the Welshman was clever in defence and kept out of danger.

With the sixth round Foord improved, his punching being snappier. He landed two hard rights to the jaw in the eighth. Farr retaliated with stiff jolts to the body.

In the last four rounds Foord was most aggressive, and landed lefts and rights to the head and body, but Farr was better at in-fighting and the referee unhesitatingly declared him the winner.—*Reuter.*

Adventurous Trio Coming To Hongkong

ON STRANGE HUNT AROUND WORLD

Three young men—two of them nephews of the owner of the yacht Shenandoah II—are arriving in Hongkong next week on another leg of an adventurous voyage that has lasted since January 1, 1935.

They are Sheridan Fahnestock, Bruce Fahnestock and Dennis Puleston. The two Fahnestock youths are nephews of multi-millionaire G. Fahnestock, whose famous yacht is now in the hands of Hongkong shipwreckers.

For over two years they have been aboard the 27-ton schooner Director, cruising through the Pacific in search of flora and fauna for the American Museum of National History.

They left New York on January 1, 1935 and, passing through the Panama Canal, travelled in a general westerly direction, touching at the majority of islands dotting the Pacific. They reported that collecting specimens was comparatively easy, despite their lack of extensive knowledge on the subject.

The trip, which brought the three adventurers to Manila this week, has been crowded with numerous interesting occurrences. The wanderers discovered evidence of an ancient civilisation in Vanau Leva Island, of the Fiji group. At Cook island they dived for pearls, finding several small ones of good quality.

There are two other members of the crew—Tiger, a West Indian turtle hound who has been travelling with her master for the past six years, and Polly, a parrot.

The young men expect to leave Manila this week, and hope to arrive in Hongkong about next Wednesday. From here they will go to French Indo-China and Singapore, and thence through the Suez Canal to the Atlantic and home.

The Director is a two-masted vessel, 59 feet long, and has an 18 h.p. auxiliary engine.

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